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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

March 26, CONQUEST, British str., 217, Scott, Haiphong 22nd March, and Hoihow 24th, Rice.—KWONG-LEE-YUEN.
March 26, MALACCA, British steamer, 1,709, Smith, Yokohama 18th March, Mails and General.—P. & O. S. N. Co.
March 26, ATHOLL, British str., 922, Thomson, Saigon 21st March, Rice.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
March 26, CYPHRENES, British str., 1,286, Thos. Wood, Saigon 22nd March, Rice.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.
March 26, BRISBANE, British str., J. A. Reddell, Sydney 23rd February, Moreton Bay 28th, Keppel Bay 1st March, Bowen 3rd, Townsville same day, Cooktown and Singapore 20th, General.—GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE, MARCH 26TH.
Altona, German steamer, for Saigon.
Cairnsmuir, British steamer, for Nagasaki.
Kjobenhavn, Danish steamer, for Shanghai.
Albay, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

DEPARTURES.

March 26, KASHGAR, British steamer, for Shanghai.
March 26, CHEANG HOCK KIAN, British str., for Swatow.
March 26, ALTONA, German str., for Saigon.
March 26, NICOLAUS, German steamer, for Tientsin.
March 26, LING-FENG, Chi. revenue cruiser, for Hoihow and Pakhoi.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per *Conquest*, str., from Haiphong, &c.—Mr. Horton and 80 Chinese, deck.
Per *Malacca*, str., from Yokohama.—For Hongkong—Mr. Pow-hing-wan and servant, 1 distressed European seaman, and 9 Chinese. For Southampton—Assistant-Paymaster G. B. Collier, R.N., and Mr. J. Newell.
Per *Cyphrenes*, str., from Saigon—20 Chinese.
Per *Brisbane*, str., from Sydney, &c.—Madame Von Halle, Messrs. W. Greig and H. Lubbes, and 151 Chinese.
Per *Altona*, str., for Saigon—100 Chinese.
TO DEPART.
Per *Albay*, str., for Swatow, &c.—160 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Cyphrenes* reports left Saigon on 22nd March, and had fine weather throughout the passage, with moderate winds.

The British steamship *Conquest* reports left Haiphong on 22nd March, and Hoihow on the 24th, and had light Easterly winds and foggy weather. Arrived off Lama Island yesterday evening in a thick fog.

The British steamship *Atholl* reports left Saigon on 21st March, and had strong Easterly winds. On the 25th and 26th thick fog. On the 22nd, passed the ship *Golden Spur*, in lat. 12.43 N. and long. 109.43 E., bound to Bangkok.

The British steamship *Brisbane* reports left Sydney on 23rd February at 2 p.m.; arrived in Moreton Bay, Brisbane at noon on the 25th, embarked mails and passengers for Europe, and sailed at 2 p.m. on the 28th; arrived in Keppel Bay on 1st March, Bowen on the 3rd, Townsville on same day, Cooktown on the 5th, Thursday Island, Torres Straits on the morning of the 9th, and arrived in Singapore on the 20th at 8 a.m.; transhipped mails and passengers, and left again same day at 5 p.m., and arrived at Hongkong on the 26th instant at 7 p.m., and experienced strong Southerly and S.E. winds as far as Thursday Island; from thence to Cape Jacki strong N.W. winds; from thence to arrival in Singapore light variable winds; from Singapore to Pulo Sapata strong N.E. monsoon; from thence to arrival light variable winds and fine weather.

YOKOHAMA SHIPPING.

March— ARRIVALS.
11, Peralta, French bark, from Newcastle.
12, Alerta, British schooner, from Takao.
14, Sokkio Maru, Japan. str., from Shanghai.
14, Wakilore, Ger. bark, from Hamburg.
15, Volga, French steamer, from Hongkong.
March— DEPARTURES.
10, City of Tokio, Amer. str., for Hongkong.
10, Coriolanus, British ship, for Nagasaki.
10, Tibre, French steamer, for Hongkong.
12, Auguste Reimers, German sch., for Amoy.
13, Hotspur, British bark, for Kobe.
14, K. Maru, Japanese steamer, for Shanghai.

SINGAPORE SHIPPING.

March— ARRIVALS.
13, Orissa, British steamer, from Bombay.
13, Ava, French steamer, from Saigon.
13, Bouvayne, French gunboat, from Acheen.
13, Tennessee, American frt., from Hongkong.
13, Banca, British steamer, from Batavia.
13, Cheang H. Kian, Brit. str., from Penang.
14, Meissa, British steamer, from Calcutta.
15, Soon Wat, Siam. brig, from Singorah.
15, Tencer, British steamer, from Hongkong.
15, Umbria, British steamer, from Hongkong.
15, Varuna, German bark, from Rangoon.
15, Royalist, Sarawak steamer, from Sarawak.
15, Falcon, British bark, from Bangkok.
15, Lapwing, British bark, from Penang.
15, Conquest, British steamer, from Manila.
15, Marechal, British steamer, from Bangkok.
15, Hermann, German bark, from New York.
15, Zephyr, British bark, from Swan River.
15, Circe, British steamer, from Penang.
15, Penta, Malay steamer, from Malacca.
15, Marivelas, Spanish steamer, from Manila.
March— DEPARTURES.
12, Wave, British bark, for Adelaide.
12, Anna Sieben, German bark, for H'kong.
12, Vidar, British steamer, for Sourabaya.
12, Dago, British steamer, for Rangoon.
12, Hermann, German bark, for Cheribon.
12, Peiho, French steamer, for Saigon.
12, Annie, German schooner, for Bangkok.
13, Amboto, British steamer, for Penang.
13, Marathal, British steamer, for Karical.
13, Holyrood, British steamer, for Penang.
14, Emirne, French steamer, for Batavia.
14, Gaulas, German steamer, for London.
14, Undine, German bark, for Bassein.
14, Marie F., Italian bark, for Akyab.
14, Moray, British steamer, for Saigon, &c.
15, Benmore, British steamer, for Malacca.
15, Cheang H. Kian, Brit. str., for Penang.
15, Rajah Brooke, Sarawak str., for Bangkok.
15, Egeron, Dutch steamer, for Batavia.

VESSELS EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.

(Corrected to Date.)

Glamora (s.)	Liverpool	Feb.	6
Normahal	London	Feb.	7
Kan (s.)	Newport	Feb.	8
Kedwig	Cardiff	Feb.	9
Chief Queen	Cardiff	Feb.	9
Braemar Castle (s.)	London	Feb.	10
Egeria (s.)	London	Feb.	10
Weschow (s.)	Greenock	Feb.	12

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

None.

PIANOFORTE TUNING

MR. J. BUCHANAN, BANDMASTER of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders, begs to announce to the Public of Hongkong that he will undertake to TUNE PIANOFORTES during his stay in the Colony. Address to Murray Barracks.
Hongkong, 14th March, 1878. [1m461

NOTICES OF FIRMS.

HONGKONG AND CHINA GAS COMPANY, LIMITED.

During the TEMPORARY ABSENCE of the Undersigned, Mr. THOMAS DANIEL COX PARKER is appointed ACTING MANAGER.
A. NEWTON, Manager.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1878. [1m490

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned have been appointed by Messrs. PIGOU, WILKS, AND LAURENCE, Limited, Gunpowder Manufacturers, of Dartford and Battle, their SOLE AGENTS in HONGKONG and CHINA.
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 6th February, 1878. [230

NOTICE.

MR. THEODOR JOHANNES ENGELBRECHT VON PUSTAU has been authorized to SIGN our FIRM per procuration.
WM. PUSTAU & Co.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1878. [1m507

NOTICE.

MR. GEORGE SKELTON YUILL is authorized to SIGN for FIRM from this date.
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Hongkong, 1st February, 1878. [tf251

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT.
K. LIN MHONE.
Amoy, 1st March, 1878. [1m395

NOTICE.

THE INTEREST and RESPONSIBILITY of Mr. EDWARD CUNNINGHAM in our Firm in Hongkong and China CEASED on the 31st December last.
RUSSELL & Co.
China, March 8th, 1878. [3m439

NOTICE.

MR. H. F. MEYERINK has been admitted a PARTNER in our Firm from this date.
MEYER & Co.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1878. [3m74

NOTICE.

I HAVE This Day established myself at this Port as a MERCHANT and COMMISSION AGENT, under the Style or Firm of GEO. R. STEVENS & Co., who will henceforward conduct the Agency of the AUSTRALASIAN STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.
G. R. STEVENS.
Hongkong, 29th December, 1877. [84

NOTICE.

MR. HORATIO GAY JAMES was admitted a PARTNER in our Firm on the 1st January, 1878.
GEO. R. STEVENS & Co.
Hongkong, 5th January, 1878. [124

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Apply to
Messrs. SHARP, TOLLER, AND JOHNSON.
Hongkong, 26th February, 1878. [tf384

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DWELLING HOUSE, No. 6, MOSQUE TERRACE. Possession from 15th April next.
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THE HOUSE No. 5, HOLLYWOOD ROAD, lately occupied by Mr. J. M. HANLON.
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Hongkong, 1st February, 1878. [427

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By Order of the Directors,
LOUIS HAUSCHILD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 15th September, 1877. [1421

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A. MACG. HEATON.
Hongkong, 27th September 1875. [28

AUCTIONS.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned will Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW,
the 28th March, 1878, at Noon, at his Sales Rooms Queen's Road,—
CHAMPAGNE in Quarts and Pints.
BEER and PORTER, in Quarts and Pints.
BAR SOAP, FANCY BISCUITS, RAISINS, SILK UMBRELLAS, OPERA GLASSES, TABLE KNIVES, CORKSCREWS, and JAPANESE WARE.
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By Order,—
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AND
Sundry CROCKERY WARE and GLASSWARE, ESSENCE of LEMON, ABSINTHE, CHERRY BRANDY, CALVE'S-FOOT JELLY, &c., belonging to J. R. WHITE, Bankrupt.
&c., &c., &c.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.
J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [524

FURNITURE SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. have received instructions to Sell by Public Auction,
TO-MORROW,
the 28th March, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at No. 10, Seymour Terrace, the Residence of Rev. J. LAMONT,—
The whole of the HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, &c., comprising DRAWING-ROOM CHAIRS, COUCHES, TABLE, MIRROR, GASALIER, &c. DINING TABLE, SIDEBOARD, WHATNOT, CROCKERY, GLASS and ELECTRO-PLATED WARE, WARDROBES, BEDSTEADS, BOOKCASES, WASHSTANDS, &c., &c., &c.
Also,
A Collection of FERNS and PLANTS.
TERMS OF SALE.—Cash before delivery in Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.1.7. All Lots, with all faults and errors of description, at Purchasers' risk on the fall of the hammer.
Hongkong, 22nd March, 1878. [498

GENERAL WEEKLY SALE.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co. will Sell by Public Auction, in their Sales Rooms, Praya, on
FRIDAY,
the 29th instant, at Noon,—
FOOLSCAP, LETTER PAPER, BLOTTING PAPER, TRAVELLING INKSTANDS, MATCH BOXES, TRAVELLING COMPANIONS, COTTON SOCKS, CLOCKS, KNIVES, DESSERT SERVICES, ACCORDIONS, CRYING DOLLS, FRAMED ENGRAVINGS.
An Invoice of TOYS.
One Bag SHRIMP SHELLS.
And, without reserve,—
One OCTAVE and Four 4-12th Dozen MARSALA.
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Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [525

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions from J. McDONALD, Esq., to Sell by Public Auction, on
FRIDAY,
the 29th March, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at his Residence No. 2, Lower Mosque Terrace,—
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J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 23rd March, 1878. [500

PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to Sell by Public Auction, on
MONDAY,
the 1st day of April, 1878, at 2 o'clock P.M., at the Residence of ONG-A-KEW, Nos. 8 and 10, Ground Floor and Second Floor, Gutzlaff Street,
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Canton-made BLACKWOOD BEDSTEADS, TEAKWOOD WARDROBES, TOILET TABLE and GLASS, and WASHSTANDS.
One IRON SAFE.
&c., &c., &c.
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J. M. ARMSTRONG,
Auctioneer.
Hongkong, 26th March, 1878. [516

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Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [1m396

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [14

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Hongkong, 1st November, 1877. [46

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54, Praya Central.
Hongkong, 8th January, 1878. [tf134

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Hongkong, 9th May, 1877. [749

NOTICE.

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Hongkong, January 1st, 1878. [88

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG AND CHINA BAKERY COMPANY, LIMITED.

An ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS of the above Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICE, Queen's Road, on THURSDAY, the 11th April proximo, at 4 P.M., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Manager, a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December, 1877, and for the election of a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [523

CHINA FAMINE RELIEF FUND.

SUBSCRIPTIONS to date aggregate $10,883.44, of which sum Taels 6,000 have already been remitted to the Committee at Shanghai by Telegraphic Transfer. LISTS have been left at the BANKS, THE HONGKONG CLUB, THE GERMAN CLUB, Messrs. LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.'s, Messrs. MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co.'s, and Messrs. LAMMERT, ATKINSON & Co.'s.
Gentlemen desirous of contributing will kindly AFFIX their NAMES with AMOUNT of SUBSCRIPTION to any of the above Lists.
H. B. GIBB,
Chairman.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1878. [491

DENTAL NOTICE.

DR. ROGERS begs to intimate to his Friends that he is about to visit SHANGHAI, and will be absent from Hongkong from April 1st to June 15th.
Hongkong, 4th March, 1878. [19

NOTICE.

MR. T. J. THOMAS, has established himself in Hongkong as SUB-MARINE DIVER, and having DIVING APPARATUS ALWAYS READY, is prepared to examine Ships' Bottoms and repair them afloat. Anchors and other Property recovered. Salvage operations upon wrecks undertaken up to Twenty-five Fathoms.—Apply No. 10, ICE HOUSE LANE.
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1878. [366

YANGTSZE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION.

NOTICE TO CONTRIBUTORS.

In accordance with the Articles of Agreement, the Directors have declared a DIVIDEND to Policy-holders for the fiscal year ending 30th September, 1877, of TWENTY-FIVE PER CENT. on the NET PREMIA CONTRIBUTED.
WARRANTS will be delivered by the Undersigned to Contributors of Premia at this Port on and after the 9th instant.
Policy-holders are requested to send in Particulars of their Contributions.
By Order of the Directors,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 5th March, 1878. [418

NOTICE.

OFFICE OF THE SHANGHAI STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY.

IN LIQUIDATION.

A THIRD RETURN of CAPITAL and INTEREST, at the Rate of FIVE TAELS per Share, will be made to Shareholders of Record on the 28th February, payable at the Office of the Liquidators on the 8th March.
WARRANTS will be delivered by the Undersigned to Shareholders or their lawful Representatives, on presentation of Share Certificates for endorsement.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 1st to the 8th March inclusive.
By Order,
RUSSELL & Co.,
Liquidators.
Shanghai, February 28th, 1878. [410

CHINA SUGAR REFINING COMPANY, LIMITED.

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East Point.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [6m419

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Hongkong, January 1st, 1878. [82

THE Undersigned have been appointed Sole Agents for the Sale of their Goods in Hongkong and China by Messrs. J. & R. TENNENT, Glasgow, and Messrs. DAVID CORSAR & SONS, Arbroath.
ARNHOLD, KARBERG & Co.
Hongkong, January, 1867. [16

T. ALGAR,
HOUSE AND ESTATE AGENT,
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UNDERTAKERS,
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YOKOHAMA.

HAVING been appointed AGENT in HONGKONG and SOUTH CHINA for the *Japan Gazette*, "Japan Gazette Summary," and "Hong List," Orders for Subscriptions and Advertisements for that Paper will be received at this Office.
Hongkong Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 23rd May, 1877. [809

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned has been appointed AGENT at THIS PORT for THE POSITIVE GOVERNMENT SECURITY LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY (LIMITED).
W. H. NOTLEY.
Hongkong, 6th June, 1877. [1184

ROYAL INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES at Current Rates.
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents, Royal Insurance Company.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. [21

INTIMATIONS.

HONGKONG 1878.

NAVAL AND MILITARY ATHLETIC SPORTS.

To be held on the Cricket Ground,
TO-MORROW, THE 28TH MARCH,
Commencing at 1.30 P.M.
Under the Patronage of Vice-Admiral C. HILLYAR, C.B., Colonel BASSANO, C.B., and the OFFICERS of the ARMY and NAVY.

COMMITTEE.
Commander LAING, R.N.
Lieut. NEEDHAM, R.N.
Lieut. ANNESLEY, R.N.
Lieut. PIKE, R.N.
Major STRAGHAN, 74th Highlanders.
Lieut. KELHAM, 74th Highlanders.
Lieut. SAUNDERS, R.A.
Lieut. M'CALLUM, R.E.
Assistant-Commissary WHITEHEAD.

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2.—FLAT RACE, ½ mile. 1st Prize, $8; 2nd Prize, $4.
3.—LONG JUMP—3 trials. 1st Prize, $4; 2nd Prize, $2.
4.—FLAT RACE, 100 yards. 1st Prize, $8; 2nd Prize, $4.
5.—OFFICERS' HURDLE RACE—120 yards. 10 flights, entrance $1. 1st Prize, Cup.
6.—HIGH JUMP—3 trials. 1st Prize, $4; 2nd Prize, $2.
7.—HURDLE RACE—120 yards. 10 flights. 1st Prize, $8; 2nd Prize, $4.
8.—FLAT RACE, 220 yards, open to Officers of Army and Navy, and Members of Hongkong Clubs, entrance $1. 1st Prize, Cup.
9.—THREE-LEGGED RACE. 1st Prize, $8.
10.—FLAT RACE, ¼ mile. 1st Prize, $8; 2nd Prize, $4.
11.—CONSOLATION RACE. 1st Prize, $4; 2nd Prize, $2.
12.—TUG OF WAR, open to Navy, Army, Police, and Civilians; Teams to consist of 10 men.

Entrance to close on WEDNESDAY, 27th, at Noon. Names to be forwarded to the Hon. Secretary by men wishing to compete through the Officer representing their Ship or Corps.
All Races, except otherwise specified, to be open only to men of the Army and Navy.
The decision of the Committee to be final in all cases.
No post entries allowed.
The Band and Pipers of the 74th Highlanders will be in attendance.

JUDGES.	STARTERS.
Lieut. KELHAM.	Lieut. SAUNDERS.
Lieut. ANNESLEY.	Lieut. NEEDHAM.

A. STRAGHAN, Major,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [517

LUSITANO THEATRE.

The MEMBERS of the
HONGKONG CHORAL SOCIETY
will perform the Dramatic Cantata,
by
W. S. GILBERT and ARTHUR SULLIVAN,
"TRIAL BY JURY,"
preceded by a Comedietta,
by
PERCY FITZGERALD, M.A.,
"THE FAMILY SHAKESPEARE,"
TO-MORROW (THURSDAY) EVENING,
the 28th instant, to commence at 9 o'clock.
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Lieut.-Colonel HALL,
JAS. B. COUGHTRIE,
C. F. A. SANGSTER,
T. G. WILLIAMSON,
and
W. WHEELER,
Honorary Secretary.
Hongkong, 21st March, 1878. [493

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship
"GLENEAGLES,"
shortly expected, will be despatched for the above Port on or about MONDAY, the 1st proximo.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [526

FOR SHANGHAI AND TIENTSIN.

THE German Steamship
"OLYMPIA,"
Nagel, Master, shortly expected, will have quick despatch as above.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
WM. PUSTAU & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [518

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship
"MACTAN"
Exquiaga, Master, shortly due, will have quick despatched for the above Port.
For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [519

FOR STORAGE in GODOWNS, PRAYA CENTRAL,
Apply to
RUSSELL & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [1m520

WANTED, EMPLOYMENT as FOREMAN BOILERMAKER. Present Engagement (in Japan) expires 31st instant. Best references. Address "A. B.," Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [1w521

THE ADVERTISER, being anxious to obtain EMPLOYMENT, either as CLERK, ACCOUNTANT, or BOOKKEEPER, and having had several years' experience, offers as an inducement to the obtaining of the same, a CERTAIN CONSIDERATION, to be agreed upon hereafter. Address X. Y. X., Office of this Paper.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1878. [522

NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "PERIM," FROM KOBE.

CONSIGNEES are requested to send their Bills of Lading to the Undersigned for Countersignature, and to take immediate delivery of their Goods.
Cargo impeding discharge will be landed at Consignees' expense and risk.
T. G. LINSTEAD.
Hongkong, 25th March, 1878. [506

STEAMSHIP "PEIHO."
COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.
NOTICE.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship "COPERNIC" from London, in connection with the above Steamer, are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and stored at their risk at the Company's Godowns, whence delivery may be obtained immediately after landing.
Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before TO-DAY, the 20th instant, at 1 P.M., requesting it to be landed here.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.
Goods remaining unclaimed after WEDNESDAY, the 27th instant, at Noon, will be subject to rent and landing charges.
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H. DU POUEY,
Agent.
Hongkong, 20th March, 1878.

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Hongkong, 3rd October, 1877.

NOTICE.

THE Undersigned, having become LESSEE of the "HONGKONG DAILY PRESS" and the BUSINESS connected therewith, will conduct the same on his own account from this date.

R. CHATTERTON WILCOX.

Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 1st January, 1878.

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HONGKONG DISPENSARY. [17

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Communications on Editorial matters should be addressed "The Editor," and those on business "The Manager," and not to individuals by name.

Correspondents are requested to forward their name and address with communications addressed to the Editor, not for publication, but as evidence of good faith.

All letters for publication should be written on one side of the paper only.

The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, MARCH 27TH, 1878.

THE Chinese re-conquest of Kashgar is evidently complete, and the little kingdom of the Ameer has departed from him. It is not known what has become of BEG KULI BEG, but he has sought refuge from his enemies by flight. Unlike his father, he seems to have had little stomach for the fray, and has not made one real stand in Kashgaria against the invaders. The Chinese have, it is stated, formally declared the Ameer deposed, and have appointed as Governor of Eastern Turkestan MOORZA BEK, who was the native Governor of Tashkend prior to the occupation of that city by the Russians. MOORZA BEK had been long confined as a State prisoner in the Ameer's fortress at Yanishar. As soon as that place was captured by the Chinese he was taken by them from the cells and attached to TSO TSUNG-TANG's staff until Kashgar capitulated, when he was at once installed in BEG KULI BEG's palace as governor. The people of Kashgar, according to the latest accounts *viâ* St. Petersburg, continue to flock across the Russian frontier. At one place called Osh the fugitives have swarmed in such numbers that the authorities were unable to afford them adequate relief and numbers of them have in consequence perished of starvation. The fact that the country has been deserted by so large a proportion of the population is a sure proof that the stories of slaughter and destruction by the Chinese troops are not apocryphal. So far from being welcomed by the inhabitants, the Chinese have been shunned like a destroying pestilence. They have apparently displayed great ferocity, and by their sanguinary acts at Manas and other towns spread terror wherever they have approached. No mercy was shown to the unhappy Dungans, and the people of Kashgar looked for no better treatment. The Chinese bid fair in the case of Kashgar, as in that of Yunnan, to make a wilderness and call it peace. But they would do well to have a care what they are about, or they may find that they will have Russia to reckon with. They no longer have an independent kingdom intervening; they have made their borders conterminous with those of the Muscovite Empire, and if they persistently oppress the Kashgarians they may find the CZAR coming forward as the champion of the persecuted Moslem, and annexing the country for the better protection of the followers of the Prophet.

THE Reuter's telegrams from London, dated the 24th instant, make it evident the position of affairs in Europe is extremely grave. The breach between England and Russia appears to be widening, while the prospect of the European Congress that it was hoped would lead to a peaceful settlement of the points at issue is manifestly receding from view. If the telegrams be correct, Russia is assuming a haughty and dictatorial tone, which, if persevered in, must render the preservation of peace impossible, while she resolutely holds out against the demand of England and Austria that the full conditions of peace shall be laid before the Congress. Another most important point is that Russia insists upon the exclusion from the proposed Congress of the question of the annexation of Roumanian Bessarabia. This is a serious question, for the acquisition of this territory would give Russia the control of the mouths of the Danube and enable her to shut Austria out from the Black Sea altogether. The proposition to compensate Roumania for the loss of Bessarabia by giving her a portion of the Dobrudscha is one that Prince CHARLES may well rebel at. The Dobrudscha is not only an unproductive salt marsh, but it is notoriously unhealthy, and is inhabited by a race having few sympathies with the Roumanians and always liable to Russian influence. No wonder that the Roumanians are loud in their resentment. After rendering great service to the Russian cause and sacrificing thousands of gallant troops, this is the reward which the CZAR tenders them! The Roumanians were forced into the war, and perhaps if they had had their choice they would have remained neutral; but having materially assisted in the success of the Muscovite arms, the Russians were bound in honour to see that the interests of the Principality did not suffer in the arrangement of terms. The claim advanced to Roumanian Bessarabia cannot be characterised, therefore, as other than most unscrupulous. Unless it is abandoned by Russia, it is difficult to imagine how war is to be averted. In the event of war breaking out, the question arises as to which nations will enter the field, and on what side will they range themselves. We think that Germany, France, and Italy would remain neutral, and that the combatants would be England, Austria, and Greece against Russia Servia, and Turkey. Roumania, unless allowed to retain Bessarabia, would join England and Austria. Other Powers are arming, and are maintaining a watchful attitude, but at first, at all events, hostilities would be confined to the nations last mentioned. We trust, however, that the conflict may yet be averted by Russia moderating her pretensions and yielding some of the points at present so arrogantly insisted upon. In that case the Congress would meet without any unnecessary delay at Baden, and some solution of the complicated Eastern Question might perhaps be arrived at.

The British barque *Aurecla* is to load at Yokohama and Hiogo for Hongkong.

The American ship *Ladoga*, Captain Pierce, left Yokohama on the 18th inst. for Hongkong.

The German bark *Friedrich Perths*, Captain Walters, was to leave Yokohama for Amoy on the 19th inst.

The British steamer *Glencarn*, Captain Gasson, cleared at the London Custom House for China on the 14th ultimo.

The French bark *Paralos* is loading in Yokohama for Niigata, whence she will probably proceed to Shanghai or Hongkong.

We are informed by the Agents (Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co.) that the steamer *Argyll*, from Calcutta, sailed from Singapore for this port at 2 p.m. yesterday.

The Naval and Military Athletic Sports will take place to-morrow (Thursday) on the Cricket Ground. Programme and other particulars will be found in the advertisement on the first page.

We hear, says the *Japan Gazette*, that the Pacific Mail steamer *City of Peking* made the splendid run of fifteen days and five hours from Yokohama to the bay of San Francisco, on her last trip.

The British steamer *Atholl*, Captain Thomson, reports having spoken on the 22nd instant, the British ship *Golden Spur*, Captain Farrell, in lat. 12.43 N. and long. 109.48 E. bound to Bangkok from Hongkong.

The *Eurydice*, 4, Captain Hare, announced by telegram as having overset in Portsmouth harbour, with such disastrous results, is a sixth-rate vessel of about a thousand tons, which has been used for some time past as a training ship for ordinary seamen. She was commissioned on the 7th of February, 1877.

The British steamer *African*, which arrived at Plymouth on the 15th ult. from Cape Town, reports having spoken on the 31st January, off Ascension, the British bark *George Croshaw*, from Hongkong to London, which had lost her Captain (Ewing) overboard on the 10th December, in lat. 06 E. and long. 9 S. The vessel was proceeding on her passage in charge of the chief officer, Mr. Bryant.

The *Annie S. Hall*, Captain Nelson, which has (says the Nagasaki *Rising Sun*) just left for Newchwang, has been rather unfortunate during her long stay here. Soon after her arrival, her Malay crew quietly deserted and have been searched for ever since; with the result of the recovery of all but three, to whom our contemporary the *Saikai Shimbun* probably refers as the loafers who are prowling round farms at night, begging. Just before the vessel's departure, the Chinese cook or steward absconded, taking with him a valuable revolver and other things. We do not hear that he has been captured; so probably he has got clean off with his booty.

THE BAND AMATEURS AT THE GARRISON THEATRE.

On Monday night the amateurs of the band of Her Majesty's 74th Highlanders gave their first performance in this colony, before a large and an appreciative audience. The first piece was a drama in three acts by Mr. W. E. Suter, entitled "The Felon's Bond." Mr. T. Reynolds played the part of *Gabriel Grayland*, an escaped convict, very well indeed. The part of *Doctor Wilton* was admirably sustained by Mr. D. Wishart. Mr. H. Jamieson as *Jeremiah Johnstone*, from Whitechapel, was exceedingly good. Mr. J. R. Walker sustained the *rôle* of *Diedrick Devilsbhard*, the captain of *The Marauder* capitally. His foreign accent was consistent throughout and he was well up in his part. Mr. J. Mackinnon took the character of *Gerald*, son of *Mr. Darlington* (Mr. W. Larman) and threw great spirit into his acting. Mr. J. Paddon as *Signor Mavrini*, an Italian adventurer, was quite at home on the stage. The character of *Mrs. Mary Millington* was sustained by Mr. S. Esdaile, who performed the part admirably. His make up was excellent, as was also his acting. Mr. E. Cawley, as *Mrs. Montford*, was fairly good. *Emily*, the daughter of *Mrs. Montford*, was represented by Mrs. H. Irwin, who gave evidence of considerable talent, and had a good grasp of the character, playing a rather difficult *rôle* with ease and grace. The minor parts were very well sustained by Messrs. J. Dempster and J. Delafield, and Miss A. Hutton, an intelligent little girl.

The performance was concluded with a farce in one act entitled "The Unfinished Gentleman." Mr. T. Reynolds as *Bill Downie*, a porter, shoe black, and an unfinished gentleman, and Mr. H. Jamieson, as *James Millar*, who was educated upon the turf and at Fives Court, kept the audience in roars of laughter. Mr. J. Gladstone took the part of *The Hon. Frisk Flammer* very well, Mr. MacKinnon also played his part with ability, as did Mr. W. Larman that of *Lord Totterly*. Mrs. H. Irwin sustained the character of *Mary Chintz* very effectively, and Mr. S. Esdaile was an exceedingly well got up *Louisa Bloomfield*. The whole performance was so smoothly acted that it is difficult to single out any point for particular praise, but we can certainly say that it was the best amateur performance we have seen in the Garrison Theatre.

Between the drama and the farce Mr. J. MacKinnon performed a solo on the cornet, the "Dream of Love." The piece was given with much feeling and good taste, and for so young a performer his tone and execution were remarkably good. An encore was demanded and the piece was repeated.

A portion of the band of the 74th Highlanders was present, under the direction of Band-Sergeant Wishart. The following were the selections played:—Overture—"Rob Roy;" Galop—"Adieu;" and Mazurka—"Veronikes."

Last night the performance was repeated before a crowded house.

SUPREME COURT.

26th March.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

BEFORE ACTING CHIEF JUSTICE SNOWDEN.

ALLEGED LARCENY.

Wong Afoon was charged with stealing $1.90, the money of Reuben Humphreys, on March 4th, at the racecourse. The Attorney-General, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, prosecuted. The jurors were Messrs. W. Dunman, F. J. dos Remedios, G. Allan, H. Sheppard, W. M. Ross, V. Favre, and A. J. da Silva e Souza.

The prosecutor is a marine on the *Victor Emmanuel*. He stated that he asked the prisoner to change two $1 notes for him at the races; the prisoner took the money, returned him a few cents, and then ran away. The defence was that the affair was a gambling transaction. The jury returned a verdict of not guilty.

SENTENCES.

Che Afook, who had pleaded guilty to stealing a mosquito curtain, and against whom there were two previous convictions, was sentenced to eighteen months' hard labour.

Chung Ayaw, convicted of stealing $1 from the person of a seaman in Queen's-road, and who had been once before convicted, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour.

Chun Acheung, convicted of stealing a quantity of fish and vegetables, and against whom there were five previous convictions, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

Wong Aping, convicted of stealing $65 in a shop and who had been previously convicted of a similar offence, was sentenced to four years' hard labour.

Lo Afuk, convicted of picking the pocket of a seaman at the racecourse, was sentenced to six months' hard labour.

Chun Aon, convicted of larceny and who had been five times previously convicted, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

Wong Ashiu, convicted of stealing two ducks on the steamer *Powan*, and who had been twice previously convicted, was sentenced to two years' hard labour.

Lam Ping Hung, convicted of stealing two bundles of firewood and who had been five times previously convicted, was sentenced to four years' penal servitude.

Chiu Ayau, convicted of an attempt to steal a pair of binocular glasses, the property of Mr. R. Moore, at the racecourse, and against whom there were two previous convictions, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Wong Achung, for uttering a counterfeit coin and who had been twice previously convicted, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Chan Atim, convicted of larceny in a dwelling-house and against whom there were three previous convictions, was sentenced to two years' hard labour.

Wong Ashu, convicted of an attempt to commit a burglary and against whom there was one previous conviction, was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

Wong Aloi, convicted of uttering a counterfeit coin, was sentenced to eight months' hard labour.

Chun Achee and Chun Ayun, convicted of receiving, knowing it to have been stolen, a rifle taken from Sikh policeman at Ap-li-chow in the New Year's attack on that village, were each sentenced to four months' hard labour.

Tam Acheung, an apprentice, convicted of wounding his master with intent to do him grievous bodily harm, was sentenced to nine months' hard labour.

Leong Afook and Lo Awai, convicted of receiving property stolen from the Ko-shing Theatre, were sentenced, the first, against whom there were two previous convictions, to three years' penal servitude, and the second to nine months' hard labour.

Wong Afook, convicted of stealing a piece of wood, and against whom there were three previous convictions, was sentenced to two years' hard labour.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION.

BEFORE MR. JUSTICE RUSSELL.

POON LAI SAN *v.* RAVANO, $39.—This was a claim by a portrait painter for the value of a number of pictures supplied to the defendant and the crew of the ship of which he is master. Some of the items of the claim were admitted, but the defendant refused to accept the pictures in dispute on the ground that the contract was that they should be framed. The plaintiff denied that he agreed to frame the pictures, but packing cases were to be supplied. The cost of the pictures was $2.50 each, and they were to be three feet in length. The defendant expressed himself satisfied with the painting, and in a memo. of the agreement made by him there was no mention of frames. His Lordship gave a verdict for the plaintiff.

Mr. Moss interpreted for the defendant, who is an Italian.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

BEFORE THE FULL COURT.

LUM CHU SHE AND ANOTHER *v.* CHEUNG CHE WAN.—APPLICATION FOR A NEW TRIAL.

The Attorney-General and Mr. Francis, instructed by Mr. Brereton, made an *ex-parte* application for a new trial in the above case. The case was tried by Acting Chief Justice Snowden and a special jury a short time ago, when a verdict was given for the plaintiffs by a majority of five to two. The suit arose out of a disputed title to land in Hollywood road and Square street, of which the defendant and his father had been in possession for nineteen years. The grounds of the present application were that the verdict was against the weight of evidence, and misdirection and nondirection by the judge—After hearing the arguments of counsel, the Acting Chief Justice said he would like Mr. Justice Russell to read his notes of the evidence before the court made a rule *nisi* for a new trial, and their lordships therefore reserved their decision.

LATEST TELEGRAMS.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

SUPPLIED TO THE "DAILY PRESS."

[BY SOUTHERN ROUTE.]

LONDON, 24th March.

THE SITUATION IN EUROPE.—FEELING IN ST. PETERSBURG.

In St. Petersburg it is semi-officially announced that the fact of England persisting in her demands relative to the peace conditions decreases the chances of the European Congress meeting at all.

It is reported that Russia has demanded that the British Ironclad Squadron leave the Sea of Marmora and the Dardanelles.

The Russian Press is greatly irritated with England.

Midnight.

WAR PREPARATIONS IN ENGLAND.

Continuous preparations for war are going on throughout Great Britain.

THE GERMAN GOVERNMENT.

An essential modification of the Government of Germany is imminent: the German Ambassador at Vienna [Count Otho de Stolberg-Wernigerode] will partially replace Prince Bismarck.

LOSS OF A BRITISH TRAINING SHIP.

The British training ship *Eurydice* at Portsmouth has capsized and 400 lives have been lost.

RUSSIA AND THE CONDITIONS OF PEACE.

It is announced that the Emperor of Russia is now disposed to reduce the conditions of peace provided that Turkey accepts an offensive and defensive alliance.

Russia insists upon the exclusion from the proposed European Congress of the question of Bessarabia and the cession of Armenia.

THE RELATIONS BETWEEN ENGLAND AND RUSSIA.

ST. PETERSBURG, 24th March.

The relations between England and Russia are in a critical condition.

MARINE COURT.

26th March.

BEFORE H. G. THOMSETT, ESQ., R.N.

CHARGE OF REFUSAL OF DUTY.

James Kelloy, carpenter on the British steamer *Marcia*, was charged with refusal of duty and using threatening and abusive language to the captain.

John Henry Broker said that he was master of the *Marcia*. The prisoner had been in the ship eight months. On the 13th instant the vessel was in the Saigon River. He ordered the prisoner to assist in washing the decks down. The prisoner had never done so before. They were short-handed on board, and that was the reason the prisoner was asked to assist. When they were going up the river only the watch was on deck. The prisoner told the chief officer something. The time was about half past six o'clock, a.m. The chief officer reported the matter to witness at breakfast time. Witness did not report the case to the Consul at Saigon. On the 23rd instant when in Hongkong harbour, in the afternoon, the prisoner came to witness for money which was refused. Shortly afterwards he came aft again and wanted leave to go on shore, which was likewise refused. Prisoner said, "I think you are coming it too strong. I'll do for you before I leave the ship," and used other very abusive and insolent language. Witness ordered the prisoner to go forward. The prisoner then said "Send for the police boat. That is all you can do." The chief officer then sent him forward.

John Finlay Runciman said that he was the chief officer of the *Marcia*. On the 13th instant the ship was at anchor in the Saigon River. At half-past six o'clock he called the carpenter, under the orders of the captain, to wash the decks, which he refused to do. They were short-handed and that was the reason the prisoner was asked to assist. On the afternoon of the 23rd instant the prisoner came aft for some money which was refused. Witness then repeated to the Magistrate the language, the prisoner made use of, to the captain. The captain ordered the prisoner forward several times. Witness then spoke to the prisoner himself. He then went forward.

Prisoner, in defence, said that neither the captain nor the chief officer knew the date. It was on the 12th. They were going up Saigon River and he was preparing the winch to let go anchor. The chief officer told him to wash decks. The vessel was then under weigh. He had been in the ship for nine months and twelve days. The captain said that he had been in the ship for eight months. The captain and mate were the worse for drink.

The Magistrate—How do you know the captain was drunk? Did you see him?

Prisoner—I meant the mate only. The captain fell down and skinned his eye, and nearly fell overboard.

Charles Scott was called and said that he was boatswain of the *Marcia*. He did not remember anything about the carpenter being told to wash the deck. All hands were on deck except the night watchman, when going up Saigon River.

By the Prisoner—Witness had never known prisoner to refuse duty. He always assisted when required, as far as witness knew.

The Magistrate—What do you mean by using abusive language to the captain?

Prisoner—On the 23rd instant he went aft for some money and was refused. He then asked leave to go on shore, which was likewise refused. The captain then used some insulting language to him, and he replied that he was as good a man as the captain. The chief officer was not on deck.

The Magistrate (to the last witness)—Have you ever seen the captain of the chief officer drunk?

Witness—What do you mean by being drunk?

The Magistrate—You know very well what I mean. Have you ever seen them otherwise than sober?

Witness—Well, yes; I have seen them the worse for liquor.

The Magistrate—The case does not seem to me to be so very serious after all. It seems that there are discrepancies in the charge of refusal of duty. By the boatswain's evidence it appears that the whole of the crew were on deck. He ought to know. With regard to the charge of refusal of duty I dismiss the case. I certainly think that you (prisoner) did make use of insulting language to the captain. For that I shall fine you $2.

POLICE COURT.

26th March.

BEFORE CHARLES MAY, ESQ.

DRUNKENNESS.

Jacob Kuhl, carpenter on the American bark *B. F. Watson*, was charged by a licensed chair coolie with being drunk and incapable in Gough-street and refusing to pay chair hire.—Fined fifty cents; and ordered to pay fifty cents for chair hire; in default, one day's imprisonment.

DESTITUTE.

Richard Herbert, described as a seaman, unemployed, was charged by P.C. 4 with being a destitute and having no place of abode.

The prisoner was identified as having been convicted twice previously as a rogue and vagabond.

His Worship now sentenced the prisoner to fourteen days' imprisonment with hard labour.

LARCENY.

Cheong Akwai was charged with stealing a large hammer, the value of half a dollar, belonging to one Li Aloong, a master stone cutter.

The case was proved, and the prisoner sentenced to one month's imprisonment with hard labour.

UNLAWFUL POSSESSION.

Hung Asing was charged by P.C. 255 with being in unlawful possession of a piece of wood, on the 25th instant.

The prisoner was identified as being convicted of larceny of wood on the 9th instant, and was then sentenced to seven days' hard labour. He was again convicted of unlawful possession of wood on the 18th instant and was then fined $1; in default, seven days' hard labour.

His Worship now fined the prisoner $10; in default, three months' imprisonment with hard labour.

IN THE IMPERIAL CHINESE CONSULAR COURT.

Before MR. AH PONG, Consul.

Saturday, Feb. 23rd.

THE EMPEROR OF CHINA *v.* AH PING.

Ah Ping, a respectable Chinese merchant, was placed in the dock, charged with having attempted to smuggle opium into this port.

Mr. F. Powder prosecuted on behalf of the Customs authorities. He stated that on the 14th February, the accused made the usual application at the Custom House, accompanied by invoice, for leave to import a case with preserved ginger in jars, and that when the case was opened by the examining officer, it was found to contain, besides the jars with preserved ginger, one jar holding 20 lbs. or 15 catties of smoking opium. The import of opium into Japan being prohibited by the treaty between Japan and China of 1871, clause VII. under a penalty of confiscation and a fine of $15.00 per catty, he demanded that the full penalty be enforced.

The jar in question was put on the table in Court.

Ah Ping pleaded not guilty. He contended that the clause, quoted by the prosecution, could have no reference to smoking opium, which is a harmless and agreeable comforter of a man's leisure hours, but only to opium as a drug, which is a dangerous poison. He demanded, not only that the case against him be dismissed, but also that the judgment be couched in such terms as to allow him in future to import his opium duty free, as he knew that a certain foreign mercantile firm had been allowed to import opium duty free, and in virtue of "the most favored nation clause" he would stand upon his right of equality with the best of the red-haired foreigners. He also pleaded that he had acted by advice of a superior Custom House officer.

Mr. Powder adduced evidence to prove the attempt at smuggling, and produced a copy of the treaty between China and Japan.

Ah Ping called several witnesses, who proved that the *corpus delicti* was smoking opium, and were unanimous in extolling the soothing effects of opium when smoked, either pure or mixed with tobacco; they also gave evidence that the well known sobriety of the Chinese people, which forms a striking contrast to the Western nations, is partly, if not wholly, due to their habit of smoking instead of drinking, and they added that experience has proved opium smoking to have a beneficial effect on the human system, inasmuch as it is sure preventive against the attacks of cholera.

The accused then addressed the court in his defence, quoting copiously from the writings of *Confucius* and *Mencius*.

After Mr. Powder had summed up for the prosecution, His Honour delivered the following

JUDGMENT.

Ah Ping, a heathen and a Chinaman, stands charged with attempting to smuggle opium into this port. The import of that article is prohibited by the treaty between my august Sovereign, the Emperor of the Middle Kingdom, and His Majesty the Mikado. The accused does not deny the attempt, but he denies having infringed the prohibition, inasmuch as what he tried to import was smoking or Bengal opium as a drug, or Smyrna opium. That there is a distinction between smoking opium and opium as a drug, has been established, and also that the opium which is the subject of the present charge is smoking opium. Opium as a drug is a powerful poison, doubly dangerous, because, as a vegetable poison, its traces are difficult to detect in the human body after death. But its greatest evils are its narcotic effects, which permit evil-minded persons to reduce their fellow creatures to a temporary state of utter helplessness, in which they are easy victims of robbery and other crimes. It was therefore a wise policy of the Japanese Government to adopt stringent measures to keep such a dangerous article out of the country, reserving of course the power, on special application from respectable druggists, to allow exceptional importation of such limited quantities as may be requisite to meet the prescriptions for sick people. If to this argument it is objected that the prohibition is useless, because poppy is grown in Japan, I answer that the opium extracted from Japanese poppies is so destitute of the narcotic essence morphia, that it is as harmless as tobacco, which also contains some poison, though of another kind—nicotine. On the other hand, the evidence adduced in this court shows smoking opium, when used with moderation—and without moderation everything becomes hurtful—to be a harmless and pleasant comforter and consoler of man's mind, and in certain epidemics to be an inestimable blessing, inasmuch as it is an almost infallible preventive. Now, opium is not only smoked unmixed; it is also used to season tobacco, and the Japanese are great smokers, both men and women, but their tobacco, in an unprepared state, being very weak, opium is of course almost indispensable to them. I think these facts are sufficient to raise the most serious doubts as to whether the treaty could possibly have been intended to prohibit the importation of smoking opium. I am of opinion that it could not, and I think that interpretation would lead to an absurdity. But both *Confucius* and *Mencius* have laid down as a rule that, as long as we can help it, we are not to suppose that sages speak nonsense, when they make treaties. The conclusion then, to which I come from a consideration of the evidence is, that smoking opium is not included in the prohibition contained in the clause quoted by the prosecution. With regard to the accused's demand for duty free import under the most favoured nation clause, I have to tell my Celestial brother that he is an *ignoramus*, and with regard to his telling me that a formerly high Custom House officer, now absent, told him to do what he has been charged with doing, I tell him that he ought to be ashamed of himself.

Case dismissed. No costs.

The learned counsel for the prosecution said that he of course had to bow to the decision of the Honourable Court, as far as it refused to enforce the penalty for infringing the prohibition against import of opium, but that he was instructed by the Custom House authorities to declare that the prohibition would nevertheless be enforced by them, and that any opium, whether smoking or drug, whether smuggled or declared, would be detained. He now asked that the jar in court be handed over to him on behalf of the Customs, as already seized by its officers.

This demand, however, His Honour, not without some asperity, point blank refused, as he intended—he said—to smoke that opium himself.

The Court then rose under a lively fire of crackers outside the Consulate building.—*Japan Herald*.

[The above appears to be an amusing skit upon a case recently tried in H.B.M.'s Court at Kanagawa (Regina *v.* John Hartley), in which the defendant was charged at the instance of the Superintendent of Japanese Customs with smuggling opium into the port of Yokohama, judgment being given for defendant.—ED. *D.P.*]

TELEGRAMS.

The following telegrams, cut from the American papers brought on by the O. and O. steamer *Gaelic*, now on her way to this port, have not been published here:—

LONDON, February 17th.

According to the latest information, England and Russia will maintain their respective military and naval positions during the session of the Congress. No other Power will enter the Dardanelles, lest it should increase the complications.

Advices from Athens indicate that the Greek Government is likely to ally itself to England in the event of a war between the latter and Russia.

Small engagements between Turks and insurgents in Thessaly continue to occur. It is announced that several thousand Turks have left Volo to prevent further insurgent advances. The Greek Government immediately decided to call out the Second Reserve of 10,000 men; also, to form twenty battalions of light infantry.

Admiral Hornby has been ordered to seize the Turkish fleet, if necessary to prevent its surrender to Russia.

The *Observer* believes that Russia has represented to England that the United States, as a great maritime Power, should participate in the Congress. England has not objected, but has taken advantage of the proposal to suggest that Greece also be allowed to take part in the Congress. It is stated that Russia has suggested to the Porte the desirability of removing the Mussulman population from Bulgaria.

WASHINGTON, February 17th.

Serious apprehensions are entertained by the French Minister in Washington that the Paris Exposition will be postponed. This fear amounts almost, if not quite, to an expectation, and is based on apparent probabilities that England will be involved in the Eastern troubles, and that a more or less general war may speedily result. The Exposition is not likely to be inaugurated this year, unless the existing complications are smoothed over, and in any event it now seems probable that the sailing of all our Government vessels to France will be postponed beyond the dates heretofore promulgated.

ROME, February 19th.

In addition to vessels now in the Bay of Mundonia, smaller ships, including the *Torch*, *Basilisk*, and *Cygnet*, are on the Bosphorus or at the entrance to the Black Sea, to keep watch over the Straits, and hold themselves at the disposal of the Ambassador and Consuls.

CHICAGO, February 19th.

The *Tribune's* London special says:—While all indications point to a peaceful settlement of the Eastern question, there is no doubt that Austria, like England, is preparing for war in case the present negotiations fail. At Pesth 80,000 troops have been quietly assembled, and contracts have been made for forwarding provisions to them if they should take the field. Two camps of 20,000 men have also been established at Popi and Palosa, near the Gallician frontier.

VIENNA, February 19th.

Prince Auersperg, President of the Austrian Council of Ministers, in reply to an interpellation in the Lower House of the Reichsrath, to-day, said the Government, on being informed of the preliminaries of peace, frankly stated its position regarding them, declaring that it could not consider as binding any arrangement between the belligerents affecting the interests of this Monarchy, or the rights of the Signatories of the Treaty of Paris, as long as such arrangements were not agreed to by the Powers. At the same time the Government took the initiative in the convocation of a European Conference. The standpoint of the Government regarding the peace basis and its proposals for the assembly of a Conference was accepted by all the Cabinets. Russia declared in favour of a Congress, not a Conference, and that it should not meet in the capital of any signatory State. Negotiations on this subject are approaching a conclusion. We expect an early meeting of the Congress; consequently, the Government is not in a position to make detailed statements of its views. It is bound, however, to declare generally that it cannot regard some of the peace stipulations as consonant with the interests of the Monarchy. This reservation does not apply to the amelioration of the condition of Christians, but to such provisions as might involve alteration of the balance of power in the East to the detriment of Austria. The Government confidently hopes that the European Council will reach an understanding and solution satisfactory to all. In any case, the Government, in the present grave circumstances, will consider it its duty and mission to secure due consideration of the political and material interests and the dignity of the Monarchy.

BERLIN, February 19th.

In the Reichstag to-day, in response to the interpellation of Herr Benningsen, Prince Bismarck stated that he had little practically new to tell. He then discussed the separate provisions of the preliminaries of peace, and showed that Germany's interests are not affected in such a manner as to oblige her to deviate from her previous attitude. He described the apprehensions respecting the Dardanelles as not justified by the situation. Regarding the position Germany took, he said he could not now give any official information, as the documents only came into his possession today. He did not believe in a European war, as the Powers who opposed Russia would have to assume the responsibility of the legacy left by Turkey. Germany was in favour of hastening the assembling of the Conference, which perhaps will meet within the first fortnight of March. He rejected emphatically all suggestions that Germany should intervene, and declared that she was willing honourably to mediate, but did not wish to exercise the office of arbiter of Europe.

ROME, February 20th.

The Conclave's second ballot was to begin this afternoon, but the smoke of the burning ballots in this case was not observed until 6.45 p.m., showing that the votes were much scattered.

The *Fanfulla* states that Germany instructed Cardinal Hohenlohe to declare that the election of an irreconcilable Pope would oblige Germany to take repressive steps immediately, whereas a moderate Pontiff could easily terminate existing differences.

The *Fanfulla* also says that the French Cardinals, contrary to their first declarations, ultimately determined to unite with the Spanish, Austrian, and German Cardinals in supporting the Moderate candidates.

LONDON, February 20th.

A Rome correspondent, telegraphing last evening, says:—The two Moderate Cardinals for the Papacy have received the greatest number of votes. Sixty-two Cardinals are in the Conclave, the largest number ever before present.

NEW YORK, February 20th.

A despatch from Rome says:—The Conclave has been in session since Monday evening, and, as only two ballots daily have been taken, Cardinal Pecci was chosen on the third ballot. The moderates hesitated between Cardinals Franchi and Pecci, but the conflicting elements became harmonized and the result was the election of the latter. The announcement to the people was made with the prescribed formalities and ceremonies from the Vatican, and created intense excitement, although it had been accepted as a foregone conclusion that an Italian Cardinal would be the choice of the Conclave.

LONDON, February 20th.

The Rome correspondent of *The Times*, in a letter to that journal under date of the 14th of the present month, spoke as follows of Cardinal Pecci, to-day elected Pope:—Pecci is tall, with a fine head, a high forehead, narrowing at the temples, a long face and straight features. He has a large mouth and a prominent chin, a cheerful, open countenance, and large, well-shaped ears. His face reminds one of Consalvi, the renowned Minister of Pius VII. He has a fine, sonorous voice, is of great dignity, even austerity of manners, in public life, but privately is affectionate, unassuming, sociable, and witty. As Camerlengo, he has been head of that party, which without formally renouncing the rights of the Holy See, acknowledges the wisdom of the decrees of Providence, accepting what seem to be irrevocably accomplished facts. The general opinion is that for learning, tact, energy, dignity, amiability, real moral worth, and sincere piety, the Sacred College could not find a more deserving Pope than Cardinal Pecci. Cardinal Pecci's private life at all periods is above reproach. He has considerably literary talent, and has written poetry. He never has had intercourse with the functionaries of the present Italian Government, but is esteemed by them all, and those with whom the necessity of duty brings him into contact are perfectly charmed with him.

ENGLAND AND GERMANY.

The letter recently published from our Berlin correspondent sufficiently indicates the difficulty, and we may even say the delicacy, of the position of Germany at the present European crisis. There is every reason to hope, however, that personal feelings and dynastic ties will not be permitted to frustrate the great influence which, from her position and her power, Germany ought to exercise in Europe in favour of the interests of freedom and civilisation. So long as the war between Russia and Turkey involved only the fate of Ottoman rule, it was possible to maintain that the cause of both was identified with the progress of the former Power. It is no longer possible even for English Radicals to say that. Russia is playing a game for selfish aggrandisement and the gratification of military pride. The situation is thus completely altered, and the permanent interests of Germany, as well as those of Europe, demand that she should be checked. Prince Bismarck is aware of this, and his past career does not encourage the idea that he will allow national and Imperial interests to be subordinated to merely personal predilections. The German people have awakened like the English, to the extreme perils of Muscovite ambition and aggression; and up to a certain point, it is the common interest of England, Germany, and Austria to thwart the grasping diplomacy of St. Petersburg. This being so, we regret that any member of the House of Commons—we regret in particular that the member for Tamworth, who has played so honourable and patriotic a part of late, should have deemed it necessary to express his "great distrust of the policy of Germany." Such statements can do no possible good, while by wounding national susceptibilities they may do serious injury. Although, as we have repeatedly had occasion to point out, there has been grave reason for dissatisfaction with the "benevolent neutrality" of Germany, Prince Bismarck's policy, so far as it is known, has not been inconsistent. From the first he said he would not risk a single Pomeranian life in the quarrel between Russia and Turkey, and so long as it was a quarrel between these Powers his position was intelligible. It is different, however, now, when it has widened out to European dimensions, and Germany is bound to make her influence felt in opposition to Russian encroachments. Therefore Germany and England have the same interests, and it is to be hoped they will take action in common.—*Globe*.

Perspiring Sub (the Regiment has just arrived at the garrison—to non-commissioned officer): Well, Corporal Cassy, what do you think of Aden? Corporal: Phew! Sure I don't wonder Adam an' Ave was onasy in't, sorr!—*Punch*.

COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE.

OPIUM.

TUESDAY, 26th March.

In Patna nothing done to-day, holders of the drug asking $600. Of Benares sales at $575. For Malwa the quotation remained unchanged at $750.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—
Bank Bills, on demand 3/10½
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight .. 3/10½
Bank Bills, at 6 months' sight 3/11
Credits, at 6 months' sight 3/11¼
Documentary Bills, at 6 months' sight 3/11¼
ON BOMBAY.—Bank, sight 222¾
ON CALCUTTA.—Bank, sight 222¾
ON SHANGHAI.—
Bank, sight 71¾
Private, 30 days' sight 72¾

SHARES.

Hongkong and Shanghai Bank Shares—55 per cent. premium.
Union Insurance Society of Canton—$1,300 per share.
China Traders' Insurance Company's Shares—$1,200 per share.
Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 625 per share.
Chinese Insurance Company—$250 per share.
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$695 per share.
China Fire Insurance Company's Shares—$170 per share.
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company's Shares—2 per cent. premium.
Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.'s Shares—$17 per share discount.
Shanghai Steam Navigation Company—Tls. 22 per share.
Hongkong Gas Company's Shares—$75 per share.
Hongkong Hotel Company's Shares—$55 per share.
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—Par.
Chinese Imperial Loan—£105 10s. Ex. 4s. 1½d.
Chinese Imperial Loan of 1877—£104.

SALES ON MARCH 26TH, AS REPORTED BY CHINESE.

Mushrooms—20 cases, at $43.00, by Kwong-fook-wo to travelling trader.

Vermicelli—30 bags, at $9.20, by Kwong-sang-tai to travelling trader.

Dried Lily Flowers—10 bags, at $9.20, by Chun-chong to travelling trader.

Green Peas—200 bags, at $2.15, by Chun-chong to travelling trader.

Red Dates—200 bags, at $2.05, by Chun-chong to travelling trader.

Black Pepper—505 bags, at $7.40, by Fook-mow-loong to travelling trader.

CHARTERS EFFECTED.

The following Settlements are taken from Messrs. HEINEMANN & Co.'s Freight Circular:—

American ship ELCANO, 1,181 tons, to London or New York, private terms.

British steamer CHARLTON, 786 tons, to Port Darwin, Australia, private terms.

French bark MARIE CHARLOTTE, 380 tons, to Callao and Vaparaiso, private terms.

American ship NORTH STAR, 1,374 tons, to San Francisco, private terms.

American ship FREEMAN CLARK, 1,306 tons, to Portland (Oregon), private terms.

American ship WILDWOOD, 1,009 tons, to Portland (Oregon), private terms.

British bark SPINAWAY, 825 tons, Manila to Melbourne, private terms.

German brig GUSTAV, 240 tons, Whampoa to Tientsin and back to Hongkong *viâ* Newchwang, 55 cents per picul, 32 lay days.

German bark MARCO POLO, 358 tons, Takao to Yokohama and back to Hongkong *viâ* Newchwang, 52½ cents per picul, 37 lay days.

German bark HIERONYMUS, 425 tons, Newchwang to Swatow, 30 cents per picul, 20 lay days.

German bark HANSA, 408 tons, Newchwang to Hongkong, 29 cents per picul, 30 lay days.

British bark ALCESTIS, 398 tons, Newchwang to Hongkong, 30 cents per picul, 22 lay days.

British bark ORION, 381 tons, Newchwang to Hongkong, 30 cents per picul, 25 lay days.

French bark JEAN PIERRE, 609 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong (Timber), inside the Bar 24½ cents per picul; outside the Bar 19½ cents per picul, 45 lay days.

German bark FRIEDRICH, 594 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 25 cents per picul; outside the Bar 20 cents per picul, 35 lay days.

American bark WEALTHY PENDLETON, 809 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 25 cents per picul; outside the Bar 20 cents per picul, 40 lay days.
British bark ANNIE LORWAY, 752 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 22 cents per picul; outside the Bar 17 cents per picul, 40 lay days.
British bark TOKATEA, 805 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 21½ cents per picul; outside the Bar 16½ cents per picul, 40 lay days.
British bark LADY BOWEN, 892 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 25 cents per picul; outside the Bar 20 cents per picul, 28 lay days.
British bark W. E. GLADSTONE, 534 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 26 cents per picul; outside the Bar 21 cents per picul, 35 lay days.
British steamer LORNE, 1,035 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, inside the Bar 27 cents per picul; outside the Bar 22 cents per picul, 10 lay days.
British bark MOSS GLEN, 549 tons, Bangkok to Hongkong, $3,000 in full, 40 lay days.
British steamer RADNORSHIRE, 1,201 tons, Saigon to Hongkong, 15 cents per picul, 12 lay days.
German steamer PRINZ FRIEDRICH CARL, 1,120 tons, Kobe to Hongkong, 18 cents per picul.
British steamer CAIRNSMUIR, 8,128 tons, Fushiki (Japan) to Hongkong, 35 cents per picul.
British steamer GALLEY OF LORNE, 1,345 tons, Nagasaki to Shanghai (Coals) five trips, $2.10 per ton.
British steamer HESPERIA, 1,160 tons, Chinkiang to Whampoa, 22½ candareens per picul.
British steamer MINERVA, 1,025 tons, Chinkiang to Whampoa, 20 candareens per picul, 12 lay days.
British steamer FLINTSHIRE, 1,243 tons, Swatow to Singapore (Passengers), $6½ per head, 10 lay days.
British steamer KILLARNEY, 1,060 tons, Swatow to Singapore (Passengers), $5,400 in full, 12 lay days.
British bark MANGERTON, 330 tons, to Quinhon and back, 22 cents per picul, 30 lay days.
German bark ANGOSTURA, 418 tons, to Touron and back, $2,800 in full, 35 lay days.
Russian bark KALAJA, 690 tons, to Batavia, $1,750 in full.
German steamer CASSANDRA, 937 tons, to Mantung and back, 20 cents per picul, 15 lay days.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(FROM MESSRS. FALCONER & CO.'S REGISTER.)
March 26th.

Barometer—9 A.M.	30.160
Barometer—1 P.M.	30.100
Barometer—4 P.M.	30.080
Thermometer—9 A.M.	72
Thermometer—1 P.M.	75½
Thermometer—4 P.M.	79
Thermometer—9 A.M. (Wet bulb)	72
Thermometer—1 P.M. (Wet bulb)	75
Thermometer—4 P.M. (Wet bulb)	76½
Thermometer—Maximum	79
Thermometer—Minimum (over night)	70

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

YESTERDAY'S TELEGRAMS.
March 26th.

BAROMETER, THERMOMETER, &c.	HONGKONG Previous day at 4 P.M.	HONGKONG On date at 10 A.M.	AMOY Previous day at 4 P.M.	AMOY On date at 10 A.M.	SHANGHAI Previous day at 4 P.M.	SHANGHAI On date at 10 A.M.	NAGASAKI Previous day at 4 P.M.	NAGASAKI On date at 10 A.M.
Barometer	30.09	30.17	29.9	30.10	29.98	30.15	29.81	29.85
Thermometer attached	71.5	73.0	—	—	69.0	55.0	57.2	59.0
Direction of Wind	WSW	S	S	NE	W	WS	SSW	W
Force	3	2	4	3	4	4	3	3
Dry Thermometer	71.0	73.0	73.0	67.0	68.0	51.0	55.8	51.4
Wet Thermometer	69.0	71.0	69.0	63.0	55.0	45.0	53.3	47.8
Weather	c.	c.m.	o.c.	c.f.	o.c.	b.c.	c.c.	c.c.
Hour's Rain	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Quantity fallen	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

BAROMETER, level of the sea in inches, tens, and hundreds.
THERMOMETER, in Fahrenheit degrees and tens, kept in the open air in a shaded situation.
DIRECTION OF WIND is registered every two points, N., N.N.E., N.E., &c.
FORCE OF WIND.—0 calm. 1 to 3 light breeze. 3 to 5 moderate. 5 to 7 fresh. 7 to 8 strong. 8 to 10 heavy. 10 to 12 violent.
STATE OF WEATHER.—B. Clear blue sky. C. Cloudy. D. Drizzly. F. Fog. G. Foggy. H. Hail. L. Lightning. M. Misty. O. Overcast. P. Passing showers. Q. Squally. R. Rainy. S. Snow. T. Thunder. U. Bad, threatening. V. Visibility. W. Storm. Z. Calm. The letters are repeated to indicate any increase over the mean average of their signification.
RAIN.—The hours of rain for the previous 24 hours (noon) are registered from 1 to 24, and the quantity of water fallen indicated in inches, tens and hundreds.

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20 °/.) upon the Current Local Rates of Premia will be allowed upon Insurances effected with this Company.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Agents.
Hongkong, 27th June, 1872. [23

PHŒNIX FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned having been appointed Agents to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $40,000, on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.
Hongkong, 9th November, 1868. [22

LIVERPOOL AND LONDON AND GLOBE INSURANCE COMPANY.

FROM this date, until further notice, a discount of Twenty per cent. (20°/.) upon the current local rate of Premia will be allowed upon Insurances effected with this Company.
DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & Co.,
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Hongkong, 27th June, 1872. [24

TRANSATLANTIC FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents for the above Company, are prepared to accept Risks against Fire at Current Rates, subject to a Bonus of 20 per cent.
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th November, 1872. [20

SUN FIRE OFFICE.

THE Undersigned is prepared to Grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $50,000 on First-class Risks.
A Discount of Twenty per cent. (20 °/.) upon the Current Local Rates of Premia will be allowed upon Insurances effected with this Office.
T. G. LINSTEAD,
Agent, Sun Fire Office.
Hongkong, 4th October, 1876. [32

IMPERIAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned, Agents for the above Company, are prepared to grant Policies against Fire to the extent of $60,000 on any one
FIRST-CLASS RISK,
at Current Rates.
A RETURN OF TWENTY PER CENT. (20°/.) will be made on the premium charged on all Insurances, such RETURN being payable on the issue of the Policy.
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents,
Imperial Fire Insurance Company.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1874. [27

THE SECOND COLONIAL SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY OF BATAVIA.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed Agents in Hongkong for the above Company call SPECIAL ATTENTION OF SHIPPERS to the low rates of Premium charged for all steamer risks, besides which a Brokerage of THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. (33⅓ °/.) will be allowed on risks to ports in China, Japan, the Philippines, and the Straits. On risks to all other ports the Brokerage will be FIFTEEN PER CENT. (15 °/.) only.
SIEMSSEN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 1st July, 1874. [31

INSURANCES.

STANDARD FIRE OFFICE, LONDON.

The Undersigned having been appointed AGENTS to the above Company at this Port, are prepared to GRANT POLICIES against FIRE to the extent of $40,000 on Buildings or on Goods stored therein.
Discount 20 °/.
VOGEL, HAGEDORN & Co.
Hongkong, 1st March, 1878. [401

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY AT HAMBURG.

THE Undersigned, AGENTS for the above Company, are prepared to GRANT INSURANCES to the extent of $65,000, on first-class risks at current rates.
MELCHERS & Co.
Hongkong, 27th March, 1876. [20

QUEEN FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

THE Undersigned are prepared to GRANT POLICIES AGAINST FIRE to the extent of 45,000 Dollars on Buildings or on Goods stored therein, at Current Local Rates, subject to a Discount of 20 °/. on the premia.
NORTON & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, January, 1876. [2

MANCHESTER FIRE ASSURANCE COMPANY OF MANCHESTER AND LONDON.

THE Undersigned have been appointed Agents for the above Company at Hongkong, Canton, Foochow, Shanghai, and Hankow, and are prepared to grant Insurances at Current Rates.
HOLLIDAY, WISE & Co.
Hongkong, 15th October, 1868. [25

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GILMAN & Co.,
Agents.
Hongkong, 7th July, 1874. [29

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OLYPHANT & Co.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, 17th April, 1878. [33

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Hongkong, 21st January, 1878. [202

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Hongkong, 1st June, 1877. [131

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Hongkong, 26th July, 1872. [26

BATAVIA SEA AND FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

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MARINE RISKS.
Policies at Current Rates, payable either here, in London, or at the principal ports of India, Australia, and the East.
A BROKERAGE OF THIRTY-THREE and ONE-THIRD PER CENT. will be allowed on all LOCAL RISKS.

FIRE RISKS.
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Hongkong, 1st January, 1874. [1

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DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	CAPTAIN	AT	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON	Ionian	Cave	Hongkong	Meyer & Co.	On 30th inst.
LONDON	Falcon	David Barry	Hongkong	Meyer & Co.	Quick despatch.
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SAN FRANCISCO, via Y'HAMA	City of Tokio (str.)		Hongkong	P. M. S. S. Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
SAN FRANCISCO, via Y'HAMA	Gaelic (str.)			O. & O. S. Co.	On 11th prox., at 3 P.M.
SAN FRANCISCO	B. F. Watson	Hawkins	Hongkong	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co.	Quick despatch.
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PORT DARWIN, &c.	Ocean (str.)	J. C. Jaques	Hongkong	Geo. R. Stevens & Co.	To-day, at noon.
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CALLAO AND VALPARAISO	Marie Charlotte	Méhouas	Hongkong	Carlowitz & Co.	Quick despatch.
SINGAPORE, BOMBAY, &c.	Khiva (str.)	G. Lee	Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	To-morrow, at noon.
SINGAPORE, BRISBANE, &c.	Brisbane (str.)			Gibb, Livingston & Co.	To-morrow.
SAIGON, SINGAPORE, &c.	Anadyr (str.)	Moreau		Messageries Maritimes	On 4th prox., at noon.
BANGKOK	Rajanattianuhar (s.)	G. T. Hopkins	Hongkong	Yuen Fat Hong	To-morrow, at 5 P.M.
MANILA	Mactan (str.)	Erquiaga		Russell & Co.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA	Malacca (str.)		Hongkong	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
YOKOHAMA AND HIOGO	Afghan (str.)	Hunt		Wm. Pustau & Co.	Quick despatch.
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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 27th March. Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
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Hongkong, 25th March, 1878.

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Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 10th April. PARCEL PACKAGES will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day. All Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.
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For Port Darwin, Cooktown, Sydney, Melbourne, &c.—Per *Ocean*, to-day, the 27th inst., at 2.30 P.M.
For Saigon.—To-day, the 27th instant, at 4.30 P.M.
For Haiphong and Hanoi.—To-morrow, the 28th instant, at 9.30 A.M.
For Bangkok.—Per *Rajanattianuhar*, to-morrow, the 28th instant, at 4.30 P.M.
For Port Darwin.—Per *Charlton*, on Friday, the 29th instant, at 11.30 A.M.
For Yokohama.—Per *Malacca*, on or about Thursday, the 28th instant.

MAILS BY THE UNITED STATES' PACKET.
The United States' Mail Packet "CITY OF TOKIO" will be despatched on THURSDAY, the 28th instant, with Mails for Japan, San Francisco, and the United States, which will be closed as follows:—
11 A.M. Registry of Letters ceases.
11.30 A.M. Post Office closes, but Letters (except for Non-Union Countries) may be posted on board the Packet with Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage, until the time of departure.
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The English Contract Packet "KHIVA" will be despatched with the Mails for Europe, &c., on THURSDAY, the 28th instant.
The following will be the hours of closing the Mails, &c.:—
WEDNESDAY, 27th instant,
5 P.M., Money Order Office closes.
6 P.M., Post Office closes except the NIGHT BOX, which remains open all night.
THURSDAY, 28th instant,
7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
10 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters. Registry of Letters ceases.
10.15 A.M., Letters may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra Postage, until.
11 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.
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The following will be the hours of CLOSING the Mails, &c.:—
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THURSDAY, 4th April,
7 A.M., Post Office opens for sale of Stamps, Registry of Letters, and Posting of all correspondence.
10 A.M., Registry of Letters ceases.
11 A.M., Post Office closes except for Late Letters.
11.10 A.M., Letters (but Letters only) may be posted on payment of a Late Fee of 18 cents extra postage, until
11.30 A.M., when the Post Office CLOSES entirely.

REGISTRATION TO BANGKOK.
Her Britannic Majesty's Consul for Siam has been good enough to make arrangements by means of which correspondence can be Registered to Bangkok, at the usual charge of 8 cents.

Correspondence for the West Indies (except those belonging to the Postal Union, the Bahamas, and Hayti), for Costa Rica, Honduras, Monte Video, New Granada, Paraguay, and Uruguay can no longer be sent viâ San Francisco.

SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' LETTERS.
Privates in H.M. Army or Navy, Non-commissioned Officers (but not Warrant Officers, viz., Assistant Engineer, Gunner, Boatswain, or Carpenter), Army Schoolmasters (not Superintending or First Class) or Schoolmistresses may send half-ounce letters to the United Kingdom viâ Southampton by British Packet for one penny; or viâ Brindisi by British Packet for three-pence. Hongkong stamps will prepay this class of correspondence exactly the same as Imperial Stamps.
Soldiers' and Sailors' letters are, however, charged as ordinary letters if they do not conform to the following regulations:—
1.—Not to exceed half an ounce. No double letters are allowed.
2.—If from a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full on the letter, and the Commanding Officer must sign his name, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.
3.—If to a Soldier or Sailor, his class or description must be stated in full, with name of Regiment, or Ship, &c., in full.

MAILS EXCHANGED WITH MANILA AND SAIGON.
The Philippine Islands being now admitted into the General Postal Union, it follows that all paid correspondence received from Manila in the mails will be delivered free by this Office, and that all paid correspondence sent to Manila in the mails should be delivered free there.
Article IX. of the Postal Treaty of Berne provides that "Neither the senders nor the addressees of letters and other postal packets shall be called upon to pay, either in the Country of Origin, or in that of Destination, any tax or duty other than" the recognised rates levied (in the case of paid correspondence) by the despatching office. It is hoped that any extra charge, or apparently extra charge, will at once be brought to the notice of the proper authorities, in either Colony.
The above does not apply in any way to loose letters sent outside the mails. These will always be charged on arrival in Hongkong, and probably the Manila Office will adopt the same course.
Complaints are sometimes received of extra charges on correspondence exchanged between this Colony and Saigon, but it is believed it would be found in all cases that the letters, &c., had been sent loose.

Most countries to which Hongkong forwards Correspondence having joined the General Postal Union or being probably about to do so, it is necessary that the following rules be strictly observed.
1.—No Letter or Packet, whether to be registered or unregistered, can be received for Postage if it contains gold or siver money, jewels, precious articles, or anything that, as a general rule, is liable to Customs duties.
2.—This Regulation prohibits the sending of Patterns of dutiable articles, unless the quantity sent be so small as to make the sample of no value.
3.—The limits of weight allowed are as follows:—
BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To British Offices, 5lb.
PATTERNS.—5lb., if without intrinsic value.
BOOKS AND PAPERS.—To the Continent, &c., 2lb.
PATTERNS.—8 oz.
4.—The following articles cannot be sent by Post at all:—Glass, Liquids, Gunpowder, Matches, Candles, Soap, Indigo, Dye-stuffs, or whatever is dangerous to the Mails or offensive or injurious to persons dealing with them.

PARCELS.
The public is reminded that, in China and Japan, there is no such thing as Parcel Post. Much trouble and disappointment is caused by persistent attempts to send small valuable trifles through the Post. Fans, Curios, Articles of Dress, Fancy Work, and similar presents are continually being refused, the senders having often spent more in Postage than would have paid the freight by steamer. No refund can be made on such parcels of the value of Stamps obliterated before the nature of the contents are discovered.

PATTERNS.
Some difficulty is experienced in obtaining a general understanding of *what is a Pattern*. It is a *bonâ fide* sample of goods which the sender has for sale, or of goods which he wishes to order. It is to consist of the smallest possible quantity compatible with showing what the goods are, and must have no intrinsic value.

EXTRACTS.

WALTER.

Farewell! I hold you by the hand;
We find it hard to part:
But love can bridge the sea and land,
And keep us close at heart.

And when strange pictures in the blaze
Of evening fires you see,
And sadly muse of other days,
O then remember me!

Remember all the joy we had
In that first glow of life,
When, full of hope, our hearts were glad
To meet the coming strife.

Remember all the days we spent
Beneath the happy sun,
That smiled on every good intent
With every day begun.

Remember how we used to stand,
When evening fields were still,
To see the glare across the land
And hear the busy mill.

Remember all our friendly talk
In fragrant lanes at night,
When stars came out, above our walk,
And shone in silver light.

Remember, when your hopes were dead,
The grief you told to me,
And how I spoke of hopes instead
In brighter days to be.

And let the thought of this be strong
To cheer the lonely road,
When thinking that the way is long
And weary with the load.

For I will always stand your friend;
And when the dying flame
Of other love has found an end,
My love will be the same.

J. E. Eastwood.

CURED BY BEING SHOT.

The *New Orleans Democrat* tells the following story:—The late Alexander Graithe, whose remains were brought to this city from Europe in the steamship *Nuremburg*, had a singular and rather unpleasant experience on the field of honour in his younger days. Like all adventurous Frenchmen forty years ago, he could not avoid involvement in some of those numerous personal affairs which were then so frequent between Frenchmen and fiery young Creoles. With two very prominent and gallant gentlemen of the latter race Mr. Graithe became engaged in controversies which led to meetings on the field of honour. In the first instance the duel was fought with swords, and the unfortunate Frenchman was run through the body, and not only suffered greatly from his wound, but exhibited for years afterwards the effects of the injury in a certain inclination of his body, which was not natural, owing to the internal abscess resulting from the wound. Some time after he engaged in his second *rencontre*, in which he received the bullet of his adversary right through the body. Strange to say, the beneficent missile passed right through the former wound, opening the abscess which threatened the estimable gentleman's life; and by inflicting a new, severe, and painful wound, not only cured him, but had the effect of straightening his person to a rigid and exact perpendicularity, so that his carriage appeared even unnaturally stiff and haughty.

THE KING OF DAHOMEY'S AMAZONS.

Besides a number of ordinary troops, he has a female body guard of real Amazons, renowned for their bravery. All the women of this corps pass for wives of the King, but they really live in a state of celibacy. These Amazons wear a blue and white striped cotton surtout of native cloth, without sleeves, and a pair of short trousers, and carry a gun and heavy cartridge case. They are trained to be capable of enduring the greatest hardships and fatigue. Duncan describes one of the exercises to which they are accustomed. "I was conducted," he says, "to a space of open ground, where fourteen days had been occupied in erecting three immense prickly piles of green bush. These three clumps or piles, of a sort of briar or thorn, armed with the most dangerous prickles, were placed in line, occupying about four hundred yards, and were almost seventy feet wide and eight high. Upon examining them I could not persuade myself that any human being without boots or shoes would under any circumstances attempt to pass over so dangerous a collection of the most efficiently armed plants I had ever seen. The Amazons were got up to illustrate the capture of a town. After waiting a short time, the Amazons made their appearance at about two hundred yards from the first pile, where they halted with shouldered arms. In a few seconds the word for attack was given, and a rush was made towards the pile with a speed beyond conception; in less than a minute the whole body had passed over this immense pile, and had taken the town.—*From "Africa," by Keith Johnston.*

COFFEE DRINKING IN THE EAST.

The son of the Orient, drinking his coffee unmixed, swallows the black but nutritious sediment with the infusion, and consumes at times not less than eighty cups daily. Far out on the burning desert he sits under his black hair tent, silent and motionless, till in the other half of his airy dwelling the Nubian slave has prepared his refreshment. When his pipe and his cup are handed him he leans luxuriously back on his cushions or his bales of goods, casting an indolent glance at the drooping horse, tied to a post before his tent, or the weary camel crouching in the sand and chewing the cud; but soon his eye becomes animated, his fancy revives, and he thinks of the fate of the beloved ones at home, or he weaves fantastic fairy tales into bright stories and graceful verses. The monotonous noise of the mortar in which, all day long, the small beans of dark yellow colour are crushed, so as to furnish an unbroken supply, alone accompanies his thoughts, and fills up the vacant moments by its uniform rhythm. Or he is in Stamboul, the Happy City; a marble paved courtyard, overshadowed by mulberry-trees and pomegranates, and freshened and cooled by a merry fountain in the centre, which scatters its foam in fitful showers on roses and jasmine; an open staircase leads us to a well-lighted room, with bright-coloured hangings on the walls, and richly dyed rugs scattered over the inlaid floor; gold lines, arabesques, and mother-of-pearl in profusion cover the ceiling; and in pretty niches, behind skilfully carved doors, stand delicate cups and boxes for tobacco. The windows look down upon the court, and a long, low divan with soft cushions runs along the wall. There is no chair, no mirror here; no table and no picture, as in European coffee houses; but black servants in brilliant costumes walk slowly about, offering chibouk and coffee-cup to every guest. Silently he enters, in silence he smokes his pipe and drinks his cup of coffee, and silently he leaves the room. A few guests, perhaps, are busy at chess; others may listen to the story-teller on the little platform there with the Persian rug on which he sits, or the graceful gestures of the juggler, who procures from under his thin strip of carpet whatever is asked for by his audience. But no one opens his lips; no one reads a journal; there is no interchange here of thoughts, no making of acquaintances or forming of friendships. The dreamy, still life of the Orient knows no other enjoyment but listening in silence while smoking and sipping the cup of coffee.—*From the "Ladies' Treasury."*

THE RUSSIANS OF TO-DAY.

THE FUTURE OF TO-DAY.

If anybody had inquired eighteen months ago as to the future of Russia, the answer he would have received would have been very different from the one that would be vouchsafed to him now. Russia seemed then to be hurrying towards her fall. Embroiled in financial difficulties, distracted by intestine plots, plagued with an administrative corruption so deep that its effects were felt under the form of a festering discontent in all classes, it was evident that a fierce crisis was approaching, and that the first phase of it would be war. Corrupt States in difficulties always think of war; and Russia had one of those big, ill-paid, ill-officered armies which if not turned to account for the purpose of slaughtering foreigners are apt to turn mutinous at home. The danger was so pressing that the Czar became hypochondriacal. This was perceived by all who came near him. The melancholy madness that had run through the veins of Paul, of Alexander, of Nicholas seemed to have marked out a new victim in the Prince who had begun his reign with noble acts, but who had been turned from his natural bent of graciousness by the influence of a dissolute Court and by evil counsellors. Evidently the Czar feared war scarcely less than peace; but there lay the implacable alternative between some savage revolution in which the Throne would be overturned or a war in which, by hook or by crook, some glory might be won to consolidate his throne for a little while longer—and so he chose war; or rather his advisers chose it for him. But in his heart he had little hope of success; his advisers had at first still less. There was not a politician in Europe but knew that the grievances of the oppressed Christians in Turkey, which the most bloody-handed Government in the world took for its war cry, were but a paltry pretence; and it was considered certain that England, whose interests were menaced by a Russian war of aggression, would interfere, with the approval, if not with the alliance, of every free State in Christendom. Had England done this, Turkey, saved from destruction by British arms, must have yielded to British advice as to the government of her subject provinces, which would then have got better terms than they are ever likely to obtain from Russia; and the latter country, overthrown as a dominant military Power, would before long have found regeneration as a free community. It may be said that a European war might have resulted from British interference in the East. Perhaps; but with England, France, Austria, Italy, Denmark, Holland, and Belgium all on one side, the outcome of a general war would have been the satisfactory settlement of all the questions pending between State and State. Europe would have entered into a long and strengthening peace like that which followed Waterloo; and certainly if there was a class of men who, more than another, had a solid interest in seeing this state of things come to pass, that class ought to have included the Liberals in every country. But it was precisely the British Liberals who caused matters to take a different turn. Led on by the statesman who had formerly denounced the despotic rule of King Bomba in Naples, these men, blinded by party passion, and to the astonishment of the Liberals in every other country, raised the cry of Russian humanity and disinterestedness, forsooth! They gave Russia a strength which her arms would never have secured for her. They sealed the fate of Turkey, threw their Bulgarian protégés under the Russian heel, and sowed the seeds of many a future war. It would have taken a clear-sighted Liberal to predict that a party of peace and progress would ever act in this way, at the bidding of a man who, having lost his popularity, was burning to revenge himself by hampering his successor in office.

But the mischief has been done, and it behoves one less to mourn over what is irrevocable than to examine the probable results of the most stupendous piece of political waywardness that ever placed a great country in jeopardy. First, the progress of Russia in civilization has been indefinitely adjourned; for the condition of the public sentiment in the country is such that the Government cannot concede one reform without yielding many; and, as these reforms would involve the sweeping away of the Tschinovniks, who hold the power in their hands and will prefer to yield nothing. Why should they do so when, now that the nation is elated by victory, they can keep it under control by turning its thoughts towards new and greater conquests in the future? A people that is in training in the arts of war for some specific purpose forgets its burdens and grievances. Present discomforts are lightened by the prospect of a better time coming, when there will be spoils to share and honours to show; and if some reflect that there cannot be spoils and honours for everybody, whereas all may count upon a share of hardships and wounds, these are the few whose voices are not heard amid the general martial clamour. Russian peace-mongers are going to have a poor time of it; for a greater war than Russia ever waged before is held to be preparing, and this time the enemy will be England. There will be no concealment about it. All over that vast country, which covers an extent half as large as Europe, it is known already that Russia has given England a buffet, and that England, fretful under her humiliation, has become a menace for Russian interests. With such fables as ignorant, half-barbarous peoples easily swallow, it will be told to the mujick that England is the country which prevents him from bettering himself at the expense of the sunny kingdoms of Hindustan. Where these kingdoms lie the mujick does not know; but he will be ready to fight for them when the time comes. Meanwhile, there will be no stinting of Russian armaments—no questioning as to whether six millions, or sixteen, or sixty can be afforded for the work of making Russia fit to satiate her ambition. The money will be found somewhere by loans and heaped-up taxes; and every year gold will be squandered in piles to provide artillery, improved rifles, and gaudily-equipped regiments, for a country without railways, schools, pavements, or drains. To keep pace with so gigantic an armament, England will have to put forth her best too, or else she will lose India. It is of no use to blink this issue. From the hour when Turkey was struck down England had no ally in the East. Her possessions must now be guarded by herself alone, and it will be the better for her if she can accept the fact that she cannot guard them with such forces as have hitherto sufficed. Liberal policy has laid upon England the necessity of soon quadrupling her army and doubling her fleet; and the best that an Englishman can hope is that his countrymen will proceed to do this while it is yet time, and not wait till a disaster overtakes them.

Ultimately, of course, Russia must be overtaken by the fate that comes upon all barbarous States that grow too big. It must fall to pieces. The old Muscovites, who foresee this, have no great love, therefore, for the conquest of Constantinople, knowing that this city would shortly become the capital of the Empire, and that between the races of the provinces of the sunny south and those hardened in the cold climate of the north there would be a disruption. Neither can Russia eternally stave off the difficulties engendered by the Socialism that lurks in country districts and the fanatical Nihilism which is smouldering in the towns. The day will come when the sword must be sheathed, and when home questions will come to the front; and then the dangers of a mighty convulsion that will heave up the whole country and plunge it into anarchy will arise. But this is looking far afield; and it is enough for England that when Plevna fell Russia renewed her lease of military power and turbulence for another generation at least. She has become an overt enemy whom Englishmen cannot afford to ignore—least of all to despise. England can still prevent her from doing her worst; but it is only vigilance and strength that will check her, not sentiment and weakness.—*Pall Mall Gazette.*

SHELLEY ON POLITICAL PROBLEMS.

Another evidence of Shelley's devotion to political problems, and of his thorough delight in grappling with them, is seen in his "Declaration of Rights," which Mr. Rossetti points out resembles "the two most famous of similar documents in the history of the great French Revolution—the one adopted by the Constituent Assembly in August, 1789, and the other proposed in April 1793, by Robespierre." In Shelley's "Declaration," which seems to have been fore-shadowed to a certain extent by his "Proposals for an Association" already remarked upon, we are struck with the terseness and vigour of the various affirmations. Consider a few of them for their exhibition of sound judgment and wisdom:—"Government has no rights; it is a delegation from several individuals for the purpose of securing their own. It is, therefore, just only so far as it operates to their well-being." "As the benefit of the governed is, or ought to be, the origin of government, no men can have any authority that does not expressly emanate from their will." "No man has a right to disturb the public peace by personally resisting the execution of a law, however bad. He ought to acquiesce, using at the same time the utmost powers of his reason to promote its repeal." "A man has a right to unrestricted liberty of discussion." "Falsehood is a scorpion that will sting itself to death." "A man has not only a right to express his thoughts, but it is his duty to do so." "Expediency is inadmissible in morals. Politics are only sound when conducted on principles of morality; they are, in fact, the morals of nations." "Belief is involuntary; nothing involuntary is meritorious or reprehensible. A man ought not to be considered worse or better for his belief." "A Christian, a Deist, a Turk, and a Jew have equal rights; they are men and brethren." "If a person's religious ideas correspond not with your own, love him nevertheless. Those who believe that Heaven is, what earth has been, a monopoly in the hands of a favoured few, would do well to consider their opinions; if they find that it came from their priest or their grandmother, they could not do better than reject it." "The only use of government is to repress the vices of man. If man were to-day sinless, to-morrow he would have a right to demand that government and all its evils should cease." In the light of these apothegms we perceive why Shelley was dreaded and detested by many of his own generation. His views, as thus expressed, might have extracted the admiration of a Plato, but were only calculated to sting the average English politician of the nineteenth century into indignation.—*Shelley: a Critical Biography. By George Barnett Smith.*

BALMORAL AND SEBASTOPOL.

The new house was soon to be gladdened by good news from the seat of war. On the 8th came intelligence by telegram that the fire upon Sebastopol had been reopened on the 5th with effect, and that the French guns had destroyed one of the ships in the harbour. Next day brought news of the destruction of another of the ships, and of a great part of the city being on fire. A succession of telegrams on the 10th told of the rapidly approaching close of a struggle, unparalleled for the tenacity and valour on both sides with which it had been carried on. First came one from General Simpson, dated 11 p.m. on the 8th, telling that the Malakoff was in possession of the French, but that our assault on the Redan had failed. This was followed by another, dated 10.9 a.m. on the 9th, announcing that Sebastopol was in the possession of the Allies, and that the south side of the town had been evacuated by the enemy, after they had exploded their magazines and set fire to the town. Simultaneously with this came a telegram from Lord Clarendon to the Queen, with copy of one from General Pélissier, dated 8 p.m. on the 9th, stating that the Russians had sunk their steamers, and that the city was one vast scene of conflagration. Lastly came one announcing that Prince Gortschakoff had asked for an armistice to enable him to remove the remainder of his wounded. In the "Leaves from a Journal" a sketch is given of what passed at Balmoral on this evening, which it will not be out of place to recall here. The time is after dinner:—"All were in constant expectation of more telegraphic despatches. At half-past ten o'clock two arrived—one for me and one for Lord Granville. I began reading mine, which was from Lord Clarendon, with details from Marshal Pélissier of the further destruction of the Russian ships; and Lord Granville said, 'I have still better news!' on which he read, 'From General Simpson, *Sebastopol is in the hands of the Allies*.' God be praised for it. Our delight was great; but we could hardly believe the good news, and from having so long, so anxiously expected it, one could not realise the actual fact. Albert said they should go at once and light the bonfire which had been prepared when the false report of the fall of the town arrived last year, and had remained ever since, waiting to be lit. On the 5th of November, the day of the battle of Inkermann, the wind upset it, strange to say; and now again, most strangely, it only seemed to wait for our return to be lit. The new house seems to be lucky indeed, for, from the first moment of our arrival, we have had good news. In a few minutes, Albert and all the gentlemen, in every species of attire, sallied forth, followed by all the servants, and gradually by all the population of the village—keepers, ghillies, workmen—up to the top of the cairn. We waited, and saw them light the bonfire, accompanied by general cheering. It blazed forth brilliantly, and we could see the numerous figures surrounding it—some dancing, all shouting—Ross playing his pipes, and Grant and Macdonald firing off guns continually. About three-quarters of an hour after Albert came down and said the scene had been wild and exciting beyond everything. The people had been drinking healths in whisky, and were in great ecstacy. We remained till a quarter to twelve; and just as I was undressing, all the people came down under the windows, the pipes playing, the people singing, firing off guns, and cheering, first for me, then for Albert, the Emperor of the French, and the downfall of Sebastopol.'" One of the first acts of the Queen was to telegraph to the Emperor of the French in these words:—"We congratulate the Emperor with all our hearts on the glorious news of the fall of Sebastopol, which we know will give him as much pleasure and satisfaction as it does to us. We have at length witnessed the successful result of all our labours and sufferings." At the same time Lord Panmure was requested to send her Majesty's warmest congratulations to General Simpson and General Pélissier.—*Mr. Theodore Martin's "Life of the Prince Consort."*

HONGKONG MARKETS.

AS REPORTED BY CHINESE ON THE 20TH MARCH, 1878.

COTTON GOODS.

American Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.65 to 2.70
American Drills, 15lbs., per piece	$3.50 to 3.60
Cotton Yarn, No. 16 to 24, per 400 lbs.	$94.00 to 101.00
Cotton Yarn, No. 22 to 32, per 400 lbs.	$98.50 to 105.00
Cotton Yarn, No. 38 to 42, per 400 lbs.	$111.00 to 115.00
Cotton Yarn, Bombay	$82.00 to 84.00
Chintz, per piece	$1.70 to 1.75
Dyed Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$3.60 to 3.65
Dyed Brocades Shirtings, per piece	$3.65 to 3.70
Dyed Damask Shirtings, per piece	$5.50 to 5.65
English Drills, 30 yards, per piece	$2.10 to 2.15
English Drills, 14 lbs., per piece	$2.30 to 2.40
English Drills, 16 lbs., per piece	$2.50 to 2.60
Grey Shirtings, 7 lbs., per piece	$1.45 to 1.70
Grey Shirtings, 8 lbs., per piece	$1.65 to 1.70
Grey Shirtings, 8½ lbs., per piece	$1.75 to 2.45
Grey Shirtings, 9 lbs., per piece	$2.55 to 2.58
Grey Shirtings, 10 lbs., per piece	$2.70 to 3.15
Grey T-Cloths, 24yds. & 32in. 6lbs. p. pe.	$1.15 to 1.30
Grey T-Cloths, 24yds. & 32in. 7lbs. p. pe.	$1.40 to 1.80
Grey T-Cloths, 24yds 36in 8lbs. XO p. pe.	$1.90 to 1.95
Grey T-Cloths, 24yds 36in 8lbs. QL p. pe.	$1.85 to 1.90
Grey T-Cloths, 24yds 36in 8lbs. XX p. pe.	$2.50 to 2.55
Handkerchiefs, Blue, per dozen	$0.60 to 0.65
Handkerchiefs, Brown, per dozen	$0.55 to 0.62
Handkerchiefs, Red, per dozen	$0.72 to 0.75
Handkerchiefs, Light Red, per dozen	$0.76 to 0.77
Muslins White, Plain, 12 yds., per piece	$1.15 to 1.25
Muslins, White, Figured, 24 yds. p. piece	$2.05 to 2.25
Turkey Red Shirtings, 2 lbs., per piece	$2.15 to 2.25
Turkey Red Shirtings, 3 lbs., per piece	$2.80 to 2.85
Velvet Black, 32 inches, per yard	$0.18 to 0.19
Velvet, Gentian, 32 inches per yard	$0.21 to 0.22
Velveteens, Black, per yard	$0.21 to 0.22
Velveteens, Gentian, per yard	$0.28 to 0.29
White Shirtings, 54 to 60 reed, per piece	$1.95 to 2.10
White Shirtings, 64 to 66 reed, per piece	$2.25 to 2.40
White Shirtings, 68 to 80 reed, per piece	$2.60 to 3.15
White Shirtings, 600 reed, per piece	$3.50 to 3.55
White Shirtings, 7,000 reed, per piece	$3.25 to 3.30
White Shirtings, AA, per piece	$1.65 to 1.70
White Shirtings, EF, per piece	$5.90 to 5.95
White Shirtings, MH, per piece	$4.25 to 4.30
White Shirtings, EI, per piece	$6.10 to 6.15
White Spotted Shirtings, per piece	$2.45 to 2.50
White Brocades, per piece	$2.50 to 2.65

WOOLLEN GOODS.

Blankets, 7 lbs., per pair	$2.70 to 3.00
Blankets, 8 lbs., per pair	$3.00 to 3.05
Blankets, 9 lbs., per pair	$4.40 to 4.50
Blankets, 10 lbs., per pair	$5.20 to 5.30
Blankets, 12 lbs., per pair	$6.10 to 6.20
Camlets, SSS, per piece	$15.80 to 16.00
Camlets, SS, per piece	$16.80 to 17.00
Camlets, S, per piece	$17.00 to 17.20
Camlets, BBB, per piece	$18.50 to 19.00
Camlets, AAA, per piece	$17.00 to 17.20
Camlets, LLL, per piece	$15.50 to 16.00
Long Ells, MM Scarlet, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, MM Assorted, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, HH Scarlet, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, HH Assorted, per piece	$8.75 to 8.80
Long Ells, H Scarlet, per piece	$8.70 to 8.85
Long Ells, H Assorted, per piece	$8.65 to 8.75
Lastings, DD, per piece	$14.80 to 15.00
Spanish Stripes, per yard	$0.74 to 0.75

METALS.

Iron, Nail Rod, per picul	$2.25 to 2.30
Iron, Hoop, per picul	$3.50 to 3.55
Iron, Bar, per picul	$2.60 to 2.75
Iron, Wire, per picul	$6.95 to 7.20
Lead, WB, per picul	$6.68 to 6.70
Lead, LB, per picul	$6.56 to 7.58
Lead, Hole Chop, per picul	$6.56 to 6.58
Quicksilver, English, per picul	$63.00 to 63.50
Quicksilver, American, per picul	$63.50 to 64.00
Steel, English, per tub	$3.60 to 3.75
Steel, Swedish, per tub	$4.20 to 4.45
Sheathing Metal, per picul	$22.00 to 22.50
Spelter, per picul	$7.45 to 7.65
Tin, Malacca, per picul	$19.60 to 19.80
Tin, Plates, per box	$5.45 to 5.50

PRODUCE.

Almonds, per picul	$24.50 to 25.00
Alum, 1st quality, per picul	$1.37 to 1.40
Alum, 2nd quality, per picul	$1.28 to 1.30
Bark, Siam, per picul	$0.83 to 1.10
Bark, Camphor, per picul	$15.20 to 15.40
Beche de Mer, per picul	$30.00 to 55.00
Bees Wax, Japan, White, per picul	$12.50 to 13.00
Bees Wax, Hankow, Yellow, per picul	$47.00 to 48.00
Bees Wax, White, per picul	$62.50 to 63.00
Birds' Nests, 1st quality, per picul	$2,200 to 4,000
Birds' Nests, 2nd quality, per picul	$650 to 550
Birds' Nests, 3rd quality, per picul	$170 to 250
Brimstone, per picul	$2.75 to 2.80
Buffalo Hides, Manila	$12.00 to 15.50
Buffalo Cow Hides	$5.90 to 6.05

PRODUCE.

Camphor, packed, per picul	$19.00 to 19.50
Camphor, Baroos, clean, per picul	$4,800 to 5,000
Camphor, Refuse, per picul	$3,800 to 3,205
Cardamons, Superior	$137 to 147
Cardamons, Inferior, per picul	$18.50 to 19.00
Cloves, per picul	$40.00 to 40.50
Coals, Afloat, per ton	— to —
Coals, English steam, per ton	$10.50 to 10.00
Coals, Sydney, per ton	$9.60 to —
Coffee, per picul	$22.20 to 24.50
Copper, Sheathing, Japan, per picul	$28.00 to 29.00
Copper, Rod, Japan, per picul	$23.70 to 24.00
Copper, Nails, per picul	$23.50 to 28.80
Cotton, Bombay, per picul	$14.80 to 15.80
Cotton, Calcutta, per picul	$15.80 to 16.50
Cotton, Ningpo, per picul	$17.20 to 18.20
Cotton, Shanghai, per picul	$16.80 to 17.00
Cotton, Shantung, per picul	$16.80 to 17.20
Cotton, Tientsin, per picul	$17.20 to 18.40
Cotton, Tungchow, per picul	$17.50 to 18.20
Cotton Seeds, Saigon	$5.40 to 5.60
Cotton Seeds, Siam	$4.90 to 5.20
Cuttlefish, Japan	$22.00 to 23.00
Cuttlefish, Japan, without bones, p. pl.	$15.50 to 16.50
Cuttlefish, Changchow, per picul	$27.50 to 29.00
Dates, Black, per picul	Tls. 2.5.5 to 2.6.5
Dates, Red, per picul	Tls. 3.1.5 to 3.2.5
Dried Lily Flowers	$8.60 to 9.60
Elephant's Teeth, 4 to 5 pieces	$250 to 300
Elephant's Teeth, 7 to 8 pieces	$200 to 220
Flour, California, per sack of 50 lbs.	$1.40 to 1.60
Flour, American, per barrel of 100 lbs.	$3.50 to 3.60
Flour, American, per barrel of 200 lbs.	$6.95 to 7.20
Fungus	$88.50 to 89.00
Flints, per picul	$0.50 to 0.65
Ginseng, American, 1st quality, p. picul.	$200 to 285
Ginseng, American, 2nd quality, p. picul.	$160 to 210
Hams, Ordinary, per picul	Tls. 13.0.0 to 13.5.0
Hams, Superior, per picul	Tls. 21.0.0 to 21.5.0
Hemp, Hankow, per picul	$10.50 to 12.00
Hemp, Siam, per picul	$10.40 to 11.00
Isinglass, Japan, per picul	$36.00 to 45.00
Melon Seeds, 1st quality, per picul	$4.90 to 5.30
Melon Seeds, 2nd quality, per picul	$4.20 to 4.50
Mushrooms, per picul	$48.00 to 58.00
Mussels, Dry Siam large, per picul	$11.50 to 13.00
Mussels, Dry Siam middle, per picul	$8.85 to 9.35
Mussels, Dry Siam small, per picul	$7.95 to 8.25

Peas, White, per picul	$2.80 to 2.85
Peas, Green, per picul	$2.49 to 2.52
Peas, Black, per picul	$2.26 to 2.28
Peas, Yellow, per picul	$2.62 to 2.64
Peas, Green Beans, per picul	$2.64 to 2.66
Pearl Barley, per picul	$6.50 to 7.80
Potatoe Flour, per picul	Tls. 1.6.0 to 1.0.5
Putchuck, per picul	$13.00 to 14.70
Rhinoceros Horn, per picul	$2,600 to 3,000
Rhinoceros Horn, Mother, per picul	$2,000 to 2,400
Rice, Siam, No. 1, per picul	$2.82 to 2.84
Rice, Siam, No. 2, per picul	$2.77 to 2.79
Rice, Siam, milled No. 1, per picul	$2.74 to 2.76
Rice, Siam, milled No. 2, per picul	$2.62 to 2.64
Rice, Saigon, No. 1, per picul	$2.56 to 2.58
Rice, Saigon, Hemp bags	$2.62 to 2.64
Rice, Saigon, Straw bags	$2.47 to 2.49
Saltpetre, per picul	$5.55 to 6.00
Seaweed, Green, per picul	$2.90 to 3.05
Seaweed, Cut, per picul	$4.45 to 4.65
Sesamum, White, per picul	$5.35 to 5.75
Sesamum, Black, per picul	Tls. 3.3.5 to 3.3.8
Sharksfins, per picul	$35.00 to 60.00
Shellfish, Japan, per picul	$27.00 to 30.00
Shellfish, California, per picul	$8.50 to 9.60
Stockfish, per picul	$5.00 to 6.50
Straits Produce, &c.—	
Betel Nut, per picul	$4.25 to 4.35
Pepper, White, per picul	$13.80 to 14.20
Pepper, Black, per picul	$7.25 to 7.35
Rattan, Straits, per picul	$5.30 to 5.50
Rattans, Banjar, per picul	$4.35 to 4.65
Sandal Wood, Malabar, per picul	$3.30 to 3.35
Sandal Wood, South Seas, per picul	$18.00 to 18.50
Sapan Wood, Manila, per picul	$1.60 to 2.00
Sapan Wood, Siam, per picul	$2.25 to 2.60
Pea Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.7.5 to 6.8.0
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 1, p. pcl.	$6.70 to 6.80
Sugar, Shek-lung, White, No. 2, p. pcl.	$6.10 to 6.30
Sugar, Shek-lung, Brown, per picul	$3.90 to 4.05
Sugar Candy, Shek-lung, per picul	$9.15 to 9.85
Sugar Candy, Foochow, per picul	$9.30 to 10.20
Sugar Candy, Swatow, White, per picul	$6.85 to 7.15
Tea Oil, per picul	$9.00 to 9.20
Vermicelli, Tientsin, per picul	$8.00 to 8.50
Walnuts, per picul	$5.25 to 5.80
Wheat, Tientsin, per picul	$1.80 to 1.90
Wheat, California, per picul	$2.00 to 2.15
Wood Oil, per picul	Tls. 6.7.5 to 6.8.0
Window Glass, per box	$2.55 to 2.65

SHIPPING IN THE CHINA WATERS.

VESSELS.	DATE OF ARRIVAL.	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
HONGKONG.						
STEAMERS.						
Albay	Mar. 24	F. Ashton	Brit. str	400	D. Lapraik & Co	East Coast
Atholl	Mar. 26	Thomson	Brit. str	922	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Bombay	Feb. 13	Green	Brit. str	749	Kwok Acheong	Repairing
Caldera	Mar. 25	Williams	Brit. str	1303	Chinese	
Cairnsmuir	Mar. 20	Spowart	Brit. str	1128	Holliday, Wise & Co	Fushiki
Camoes	Oct. 2	—	Brit. str	95	Kwok Acheong	
Cassandra	Mar. 23	W. Langer	Ger. str	937	Wm. Pustau & Co	Mantong
Charlton	Mar. 20	Johnson	Brit. str	786	G. Stevens & Co	Port Darwin
City of Tokio	Mar. 16	Maury	Amr. str	5079	P. M. S. S. Co	Y'hama, &c.
Conquest	Mar. 26	Scott	Brit. str	317	Kwong-lee-yuen	
Cyphrenes	Mar. 26	Thos. Wood	Brit. str	1286	Gibb, Livingston & Co	
Fat-choy	—	Holland	Brit. str	153	G. McBain	
Glenorchy	Mar. 22	Hogg	Brit. str	1775	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
Hailoong	Feb. 17	Abbott	Brit. str	277	D. Lapraik & Co	Repairing
Ichang	—	D. Martin	Brit. str	760	Butterfield & Swire	Canton
Java	Mar. 25	Weber	Dut. str	886	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Khiva	Mar. 25	Geo. Lee	Brit. str	1506	P. & O. S. N. Co	S'pore, &c.
Kinshan	—	Lefavour	Brit. str	1050	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Repairing
Kiung-chow	—	—	Brit. str		Kwok Acheong	
Kiu-Kiang	—	T. Benning	Brit. str	1061	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Kjobenhavn	Mar. 12	Jerichau	Dan. str	761	Siemssen & Co	Shanghai
Malacca	Mar. 26	Smith	Brit. str	1709	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Marcia	Mar. 23	Broker	Brit. str	1060	Wong-hing-cheong	Saigon
Marion	Mar. 24	Smith	Brit. str	642	Siemssen & Co	
Mecca	Mar. 17	Morney	Brit. str	678	Landstein & Co	
Ocean	Mar. 12	Jaques	Brit. str	951	G. Stevens & Co	M'bourne, &c.
Orissa	Mar. 24	H. Jay	Brit. str	1119	P. & O. S. N. Co	Yokohama
Panay	Oct. 31	Gayenechea	Span. str	500	Remedios & Co	
Perim	Mar. 24	Linton	Brit. str	1016	T. G. Linstead	
Powan		A. G. Carey	Brit. str	1890	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Canton
Rajanatianuhar	Mar. 21	Hopkins	Brit. str	933	Yuen Fat Hong	Bangkok
Sea Gull	Sept. 19	Roberts	Amr. str	48	Insurance Co	
J. Jeejeebhoy	—		Brit. str	119	Kwok Acheong	
S. of Alabama	Mar. 20	Ritchie	Brit. str	1511	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
White Cloud	—	A. Benning	Brit. str	652	H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	Macao
Yot-sai	—	D. Browne	Brit. str	250	Kwok Acheong	Macao
Zamboanga	Mar. 24	Aranguren	Span. str	651	Remedios & Co	Haiphong
Zanzibar	Mar. 23	Fox	Brit. str	1460	Melchers & Co	Saigon
SAILING VESSELS.						
Alcestis	Mar. 10	Trail	Brit. bk	338	Borneo Co	Newchwang
Alden Besse	Dec. 27	Noyes	Amr. bk	842	Rozario & Co	Portland (O.)
A. Newton	Mar. 22	A. Newton	Brit. bk	308	Rozario & Co	Tientsin
A. M. Minnott	Jan. 23	Whitmore	Amr. sh	1100	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	London
Angostura	Mar. 21	Boysen	Ger. bk	418	Carlowitz & Co	Touron
Annie M. Small	Dec. 4	C. E. Packer	Amr. sh	1053	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Portland (O.)
B. F. Watson	Nov. 25	Hawkins	Amr. bk	993	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	S. Francisco
Chandos	Mar. 6	Emery	Amr. sh	1505	Russell & Co	
Charger	Jan. 28	Hallett	Amr. sh	1448	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
City of Halifax	Dec. 24	Evans	Brit. sh	853	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Portland (O.)
Conchita	Mar. 14	H. J. Arias	Span. bk	430	Remedios & Co	
Condor	Mar. 22	Steffens	Ger. bk	368	Siemssen & Co	
Corona	Feb. 18	Spence	Brit. sh	1199	Meyer & Co	
Crusader	Mar. 14	Gorham	Amr. bk	669	H. Kaer & Co	
Elcano	Feb. 26	Barnby	Amr. sh	1181	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	London
Empire	Feb. 21	Leckie	Amr. sh	1140	Messageries Maritimes	
Eme	Mar. 8	Asals	Brit. bk	773	Butterfield & Swire	
E. P. Bouverie	Jan. 22	J. Evans	Brit. bk	941	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Falcon	Dec. 23	D. Barry	Brit. bk	798	Meyer & Co	London
Freeman Clark	Jan. 18	Dwight	Amr. sh	1336	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	Portland (O.)
Globe	Feb. 13	Harrison	Brit. bk	736	Meyer & Co	
Great Admiral	Aug. 19	Thompson	Amr. sh	1576	Russell & Co	
Gustav	Mar. 17	Johannsen	Ger. bg	240	E. Schellhass & Co	Tientsin
Hark Away	Feb. 12	S. Potts	Brit. bk	773	Russell & Co	
Hei-Cheong	Mar. 5	Kent	Brit. bk	336	Kong Tiang Tye	Bangkok
Hieronymus	Feb. 25	Ipland	Ger. bk	425		Newchwang
Humboldt	Feb. 13	Willey	Amr. sh	1018		Manila
Ionian	Nov. 24	Cave	Brit. bk	373	Meyer & Co	London
Jean Pierre	Mar. 15	Légasse	Fren. bk	607	Carlowitz & Co	Bangkok
Jessie Jamieson	Mar. 22	G. West	Brit. bk	504	D. Lapraik & Co	
Kalaja	Jan. 12	Roos	Rus. bk	690	Captain	Batavia
L. Wave	Mar. 17	Shaw	Brit. bg	161	Siemssen & Co	Singapore
Louise Eugene	Mar. 15	Menard	Fren. bk	440	Carlowitz & Co	Singapore
M. of Argyle	Feb. 28	McKeon	Brit. bk	500	Rozario & Co	Bangkok
M. Ravano	Mar. 1	Ravano	Ital. bk	874	Thos. Howard & Co	
M. Charlotte	Mar. 23	Mehouas	Fren. bk	380	Carlowitz & Co	Callao
Morning Star	Jan. 5	Michaelsen	Siam. bk	570	Tack-mee	
Mosquito	Feb. 5	Miles	Brit. bg	198	Olyphant & Co	
Nimrod	Jan. 24	Clark	Brit. bk	621	Adamson, Bell & Co	
North Star	Mar. 1	Thompson	Amr. sh	1374	Russell & Co	S. Francisco
Occident	Mar. 23	Reuter	Ger. bk	284	Wieler & Co	
Onward	Mar. 8	Heuer	Brit. sch	210	Lane, Crawford & Co	
Orion	Mar. 22	Scott	Brit. bk	381	Arnhold, Karberg & Co	Newchwang
Pauline	Feb. 7	Tyrer	Brit. bk	472	Butterfield & Swire	Takao
P. J. Carlston	Feb. 28	Amesbury	Amr. bk	986	Russell & Co	
Quickstep	Jan. 4	Barnaby	Amr. bk	826	Russell & Co	V'couver's Is.
River Lagan	Feb. 23	Quinn	Brit. bk	851	D. Lapraik & Co	
Rubicon	Jan. 17	Timmsen	Brit. sch	204	Meyer & Co	
Samar	Jan. 15	Miller	Amr. sh	1056	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	
Seamen's Bride	Mar. 6	Andreassen	Siam. bk	314	Chinese	
Spinaway	Mar. 21	Pringle	Brit. bk	326	Siemssen & Co	Manila
Star of India	Feb. 14	Holloway	Brit. bk	1040	Borneo Co	
Sully	Jan. 4	Bara	Fren. bk	387	Carlowitz & Co	
Sumatra	Sept. 5	Clough	Amr. sh	1090	Russell & Co	
Titan	Feb. 7	Berry	Amr. sh	1229	Russell & Co	
Trio	Feb. 14	Bakker	Dut. bk	263	Siemssen & Co	Tientsin
Wega	Mar. 1	Jackens	Ger. sh	1115	Vogel, Hagedorn & Co	New York
W. Pendleton	Feb. 19	Blanchard	Amr. bk	809	D. Lapraik & Co	Bangkok
Wildwood	Jan. 28	Harriman	Amr. sh	1100	Russell & Co	Portland (O.)
W. E. Gladstone	Mar. 19	Gallichan	Brit. bk	534	Captain	Bangkok
WHAMPOA.						
STEAMER.						
Ulysses	Mar. 24	Guard	Brit. str	1560	Butterfield & Swire	Shanghai
SAILING VESSELS.						
Northern Star	Jan. 6	Wortley	Brit. bk	327	Wieler & Co	Tientsin
CANTON.						
Chinkiang	Mar. 23	S. M. Orr	Brit. str	798	Siemssen & Co	Shanghai
Hesperia	Mar. 22	Paulsen	Ger. str	1160	Siemssen & Co	Chinkiang
West Stanley	Mar. 22	Ashby	Brit. str	993	Russell & Co	
MACAO.						
IN PORT ON 8TH MARCH, 1878.						
Spark	—	Hoyland	Brit. str		H. C. & M. Steamboat Co	
SWATOW.						
IN PORT ON 22ND MARCH, 1878.						
Aleppo	Mar. 19	Falconer	Brit. bk	665	E. Vincent & Co	
Cap Horn	Mar. 15	Muller	Ger. bk	385	Herton, Ebell & Co	
Clara	Feb. 25	Chalmers	Brit. sh	937	Boyd & Co	
Emulation	Mar. 8	Gunn	Brit. bk	391	Dircks & Co	
Glenisla	Jan. 26	Watts	Brit. bk	372	Bradley & Co	
AMOY.						
IN PORT ON 20TH MARCH, 1878.						
Ada		Le Roy	Brit. bk	413	Elles & Co	Singapore
Carl Wilhelm		Brotheisen	Ger. bk	232	Tait & Co	
Chingtoo	Mar. 2	Baikie	Brit. bk	304	Boyd & Co	
Chloris	Feb. 20	Matsen	Ger. bk	334	H. A. Petersen & Co	
Empress	Mar. 3	Westerberg	Brit. bk	391	Pasedag & Co	
J. Friedrich		Krucke	Ger. bg	246	Pasedag & Co	

VESSEL.	DATE OF ARRIVAL.	CAPTAIN.	FLAG AND RIG.	TONS.	CONSIGNEES.	DESTINATION.
AMOY.						
Hammonia	Mar. 3	Weller	Ger. bk	408	Pasedag & Co	
J. & Willem	Feb. 25	Houskooper	Dut. bk	408	Pasedag & Co	
Juno	Mar. 2	Nielsen	Ger. bk	266	Pasedag & Co	
Iris	Feb. 24	Taylor	Brit. sch	259	Elles & Co	
FOOCHOW.						
IN PORT ON 15TH MARCH, 1878.						
China	Feb. 24	Ocean	Ger. sch	208	Chinese	
Oscar Mooyer	Mar. 1	Roder	Ger. bk	360	Kaw Hong Take & Co	
Peter	Mar. 7	Holm	Ger. bg	250	Kaw Hong Take & Co	
Willie	Mar. 4	Badenoch	Brit. sch	200	Kaw Hong Take & Co	
SHANGHAI.						
IN PORT ON 22ND MARCH, 1878.						
Adolph	Feb. 27	Hupper	Ger. bk	580	Wm. Pustau & Co	
Anglo Norman	Mar. 10	Davidson	Brit. bk	822	Russell & Co	
B. Aymar	Jan. 24	Lapham	Amr. bk	517	Captain	
Belle Morse	Mar. 17	Hutchins	Amr. sh	1807	Frazar & Co	
C. Harrison	Mar. 11	Hawes	Fren. bk	1190	S. C. Farnham & Co	
C'narvonshire	Mar. 5	Fishwick	Brit. bk	388	Blain & Co	
Chingtah	Feb. 15	Askins	Chi. bk	456	C. M. S. N. Co	
Chocorua	Mar. 17	Matthews	Amr. sh	1163	Frazar & Co	
Commerce	Mar. 16	Elliott	Amr. bk	462	Russell & Co	
Endymion	Jan. 11	Richardson	Brit. sh	760	Adamson, Bell & Co	
Forget-me-not	Mar. 11	Dolson	Brit. bk	239	Morris & Co	
Goodell	Jan. 30	French	Amr. bk	840	Frazar & Co	
G. T. Ray	Mar. 14	Fraser	Brit. bk	356	Mackenzie & Co	
Hopewell	Nov. 29	Langlois	Brit. bk	578	Primrose & Co	
Joyse Phillips	Mar. 14	Livingston	Brit. bk	514	Morris & Co	
Leonore	Mar. 14	Crichton	Brit. bk	251	Morris & Co	
Louise	Feb. 14	Simons	Brit. sch	280	Captain	
Lutcken	Feb. 17	Wicks	Brit. bk	406	Adamson, Bell Co	
Maid Marian	Mar. 17	Forrest	Brit. bk	298	Bryner & Beyfuss	
M. of Judah	Feb. 21	Webb	Brit. bk	643	J. M. Walker	
Mikado	Jan. 6	Perlin	Brit. sh		Little & Co	
Norman Court	Mar. 13	Shewan	Brit. bk	834	Turner & Co	
Olebe	Feb. 27	Whitburn	Brit. bk	242	Nils Moller	
Omba	Mar. 10	Hall	Brit. sh	836	Captain	
R. McNeil	Jan. 18	Brown	Amr. bk	611	Blain & Co	
Rutlander	Mar. 4	Langabur	Brit. bk	1556	Melchers & Co	
Supreme	Mar. 14	Deward	Brit. bk	730	Blain & Co	
Taitsing	Mar. 12	England	Brit. sh	879	Jardine, Matheson & Co	
CHEFOO.						
IN PORT ON 20TH FEBRUARY, 1878.						
Alexander	Feb. 14	Elliott	Brit. bk	407	Cornabe & Co	Swatow
Oceanic	Feb. 10	Affeck	Brit. bk	320	Cornabe & Co	
Lydia	Feb. 14	Youngson	Brit. bk	396	Cornabe & Co	
YOKOHAMA.						
IN PORT ON 18TH MARCH, 1878.						
Alerta	Mar. 12	Talbot	Brit. sch	215	Ed. Fischer & Co	
Aurecla	Mar. 8	Penory	Brit. bk	957	Messageries Maritimes	
Bertha Marian	Feb. 24	Scarlett	Brit. bk	540	L. Kniffler & Co	
F. Perthes	Mar. 9	Walter	Ger. bk	446	Chinese	
Hudson	Jan. 23	Vaughan	Amr. bk	672	China & Jap. Trading Co	
Iphigenia	Mar. 8	Muller	Ger. bk	457	L. Kniffler & Co	
J. Wichhorn	Mar. 14	Heyenga	Ger. bk	431	L. Kniffler & Co	
Ladoga	Feb. 19	Pierce	Amr. sh	1050	Isaacs, Brothers & Co	
Oscar Vidal	Feb. 17	Willis	Brit. bk	299	Walsh, Hall & Co	
Otsego	July 10	Cook	Amr. sch	52	H. Cook	
Parulos	Mar. 11	Pasco	Fren. bk	310	Walsh, Hall & Co	
Seramento	Feb. 17	Nelson	Amr. sh	1480	Walsh, Hall & Co	
MANILA.						
IN PORT ON 19TH MARCH, 1878.						
Abernyte	Feb. 19	Congdon	Brit. bk	728		London
Andrews	Feb. 15	....	Ger. bk	420	Captain	
A. Florence	Feb. 27	Johnson	Brit. bk	657	Captain	
Bonanza	Feb. 9	....	Amr. sh	1356	Captain	
Burdwan	Feb. 3	....	Brit. sh	803		Falmouth
Chalmette	Feb. 2	....	Amr. bk	840	Order	
Constancia	Nov. 11	Gerzater	Span. bg	234		Hongkong
Cutwater	Feb. 27	....	Amr. sh	985	Captain	
Ellen Munroe	Mar. 6	....	Amr. sh	1313	Captain	
Ellsworth	Feb. 6	....	Amr. bk	853	Order	
Evening Star	Dec. 27	Ashburn	Brit. bk	371	Order	London
Glenfruin	Feb. 21	Lang	Brit. bk			
India	Dec. 25		Span. bk	574	Order	
J. Shepherd	Jan. 21	Madden	Brit. bk	849	Order	
John C. Munro	Feb. 18	....	Brit. bk	613	Captain	
Loyola	Mar. 5	....	Span. bk	567	Captain	
Ornate	Jan. 30	Parrott	Brit. bk	588	Order	
Olano	Feb. 5		Span. bk	270	Order	
Salisbury	Jan. 19	Case	Brit. sh	1075	Order	
San Lorenzo	Nov. 23	M. de Viegs	Span. bg	220	Order	
Union	Jan. 8		Span. bg	248	Order	
V. de Rivadavia	Jan. 14	Camus	Span. bg	261	Order	

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

NAME.	RIG.	GUNS	H.P.	CAPTAIN.	WHERE AT.
Audacious	double-screw frigate	14	800	Captain F. Durrant	Hongkong
Charybdis	steam corvette	17	400	Captain Hotham	Singapore
Curlew	double-screw gun-vessel	3	160	Com. W. McF. Castle	Hongkong
Egeria	screw sloop	4	120	Com. A. L. Douglas	Yokohama
Fly	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. M. McNeile	Singapore
Frolic	double-screw gun-vessel	4	100	Com. A. E. Dupuis	Yokohama
Growler	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. Chas. Willcox	Hongkong
Hart	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. R. Evans	Singapore
Hornet	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. J. S. Eaton	Hankow
Juno	steam corvette	8	400	Captain Poland	Yokohama
Kestrel	double-screw gun-vessel	4	100	Com. Theobald	Kobe
Lapwing	double-screw gun-vessel	3	160	Com. W. G. Scott	Amoy
Lily	screw sloop	3	85	Com. Cochrane	Chinkiang
Magpie	double-screw gun-vessel	3	—	Com. W. M. Lang	Hongkong
Meanee	military hospital	—	—		Hongkong
Midge	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. H. G. Salmond	Tientsin
Modeste	steam corvette	14	350	Captain A. Buller	Yokohama
Moorhen	gunboat	4	60	Lieut-Com. W. Carey	Foochow
Mosquito	gunboat	4	60	Lieut. Com. G. A. Grey	Singapore
Nassau	surveying vessel	4	150	Captain R. H. Napier	Surveying
Sheldrake	gunboat	4	60	Lieut. Com. J. R. Hayes	Chefoo
Swinger	gunboat	2	60	Lieut. Com. O. Tudor	Cruising
Sylvia	surveying vessel	3	150	Com. P. Aldrich	Yokohama
Thistle	double-screw gun-vessel	4	120	Com. R. S. Hunt	Ningpo
V. Emanuel	receiving ship	14	—	Commodore Watson	Hongkong
Vigilant	paddle dispatch-boat	2	250	Lieut.-Com. Annesley	Hongkong

FOREIGN MEN-OF-WAR IN HARBOUR.

NAME.	NATION.	GUNS.	H.P.	CAPTAIN.
Le Hugon	French corvette	—	—	—Galache
Monongahela	American corvette	11	—	Captain W. E. Fitzhugh

CANTON GUNBOAT SQUADRON.

NAME.	FLAG AND RIG.	GUNS	TONS.	H.P.	COMMANDER.	STATION.
An-lan	Viceroy's gunboat	7	221	70	Godsil	Tong-king gulf
Chee-hing	Revenue cruiser	2	30	20	—	—
Chien-to	Viceroy's gunboat	7	221	70	Stewert	Swatow
Chien-jui	Revenue cruiser	3	60	20	A. Walker	Capsing-moon
Cheung-wan	—	—	—	—		West Coast
Ching-on	Revenue cruiser	2	30	20	Chung-wing-fai	Canton River
Tching-aing	Viceroy's gunboat	6	180	60	Bessard	Pak-hoi
Tching-on	Viceroy's gunboat	2	120	40	Chinese Admiral	Bogue Forts
Tching-po	Viceroy's gunboat	6	180	60	d'Longueville	West Coast
Tchun-tung	Revenue cruiser	2	150	40	Chun-ti-hu	West Coast
Peng-chao-hai	Revenue cruiser	4	600	120	Palmer	Fa-tow-moon
Quang-on	Viceroy's gunboat	4	120	40	Lie-ping-tie	Bogue Forts
Shek-chi	Revenue cruiser	5	180	60	Wade	Chung-chow
Sui-tsing	Viceroy's gunboat	4	180	60	Calder	Hai-ling-shan
Li-she	Revenue cruiser	4	80	20	McLeish	Canton River
Tsing-po	Viceroy's gunboat	3	100	40	Ching	Bogue Forts

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